ALMANAC

FOR

THE REFORMED CHURCH

IN THE UNITED STATES,

FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

1884

QUESTION.—What is thy only comfort in life and death?

ANSWER.—That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that, without the will of my Heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation: and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

Reformed Church Publication Board,

No. 907 Arch Street,

PHILADELPHIA.

REV. CHAS. G. FISHER,
Superintendent and Treasurer.

L. BOETTGER,
Business Agent.

THE

REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD,

907 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

PUBLISHERS, BOOKSELLERS AND STATIONERS,

Publishers of Periodicals of the Reformed Church in the United States:

THE MESSENGER, (Weekly).
THE REFORMED QUARTERLY REVIEW.
THE GUARDIAN, (Monthly).
THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL TREASURY, (Semi-Monthly.)
SUNSHINE, (Weekly).
SCHOLAR'S QUARTERLY.
LESSON PAPERS, (Advanced and Primary.)

Theological Works, Sunday-School Libraries, Sunday-School Reward Cards, Bibles (Pulpit and Family), Miscellaneous Books, Stationery of all kinds, &c., &c.

Also, THE GERMAN PUBLICATIONS OF THE CHURCH.

All Furnished at Lowest Cash Prices, with Promptness and Despatch.

☞ ORDERS RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED. ☜

Address, **REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD,**
907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Almanac for the Year of Our Lord 1884.

BEING A LEAP YEAR OF 366 DAYS.

MOON'S SIGNS.			
New Moon.	First Quarter.	Full Moon.	Last Quarter.

PLANETS AND ASPECTS.			
♄ Saturn.	♂ Mars.	♀ Venus.	☽ Moon.
♃ Jupiter.	☉ Sun.	☿ Mercury.	♅ Herschel.

☌ Conjunction, or planets in the same longitude. | □ Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant.
⊕ Sextile, when they are 60 degrees apart. | △ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant.
☍ Opposition, when they are 180 degrees distant.

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letters, ... F. E.	Solar Cycle, ... 17
Golden Number or Lunar Cycle, ... 4	Roman Indiction, ... 12
Epact, ... 3	Julian Period, ... 6597

The Jewish Era, with their 5645th year, commences September 20th, 1884.
The Mohammedan Era, with their 1302d year, commences October 21st, 1884.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Septuagesima Sunday, Feb'y 10.	Palm Sunday, April 6.	Trinity Sunday, June 8.
Quinquagesima Sunday, Feb'y 24.	Easter Sunday, April 13.	Corpus Christi, June 12.
Shrove Tuesday, Feb'y 26.	Ascension or Holy Thurs., May 22.	1st Sunday in Advent, Nov. 30.
Ash Wednesday, Feb'y 27.	Whit Sunday or Pentecost, June 1.	Sundays after Trinity are 24.

THE FOUR EMBER DAYS.

March 5. June 4. September 17. December 17.

THE FOUR SEASONS, OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox,	Sun enters	♈	March 20th,	12 o'clock	20 minutes,	morning.
Summer Solstice,	"	"	♋	June 20th,	8 "	3 "	evening.
Autumnal Equinox,	"	"	♎	September 22d,	10 "	16 "	forenoon.
Winter Solstice,	"	"	♑	December 21st,	5 "	12 "	morning.

(☉) Sun is called the Governing Planet this year.

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1884.

There will be five Eclipses this year: three of the Sun and two of the Moon.

The first is a Partial Eclipse of the Sun, March 27th, 1 o'clock 2 minutes in the morning; therefore invisible here; visible in Iceland and the North Pole.

The second is a Total Eclipse of the Moon, April 10th, 6 o'clock 46 minutes in the morning; visible a small part when the Moon sets in the morning; visible at California nearly total.

The third is a Partial Eclipse of the Sun, April 25th, 9 o'clock 46 minutes in the morning; here invisible; visible on the South Atlantic Ocean, Patagonia and Cape of Good Hope.

The fourth is a Total Eclipse of the Moon, October 6th; the Moon rises at 5 o'clock 50 minutes in the evening, partly eclipsed, and ends at 6 o'clock 49 minutes in the evening.

The fifth is a Partial Eclipse of the Sun, October 18th, 7 o'clock 18 minutes in the evening; therefore invisible here; visible at Kamskatka and North Pacific Ocean.

JANUARY, *1st Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Tuesday	1 *New Year*	1 Pet. 2: 12–19	8 36	2	Orion south 6 53 ☋	4	7 23	4 37	3 20
Wednesday	2 Martyrs H Scrip	Philip. 1: 1–12	9 37	16	☉ in Perigee	4	7 23	4 37	4 10
Thursday	3 Gordius	1 Pet. 4: 12–19	10 38	2	♄ rises 8 0	4	7 23	4 37	5 5
Friday	4 Titus	Eph. 3:	11 41	14	☽ ☿ gr. Elong. East	5	7 22	4 38	5 45
Saturday	5 Simeon	Psalm 24:	morn.	27	5th. ☿ sets 5 27	5	7 22	4 38	6 31

1] *Epiphany Sunday.* Matt. 2: 1–12; Eph. 3: 1–12. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 18 min.*

Sunday	6 *Epiphany*	John 1: 29–34	12 47	9	♃ rises 6 41	6	7 21	4 39	7 18
Monday	7 Widukind	" 1: 38–51	1 54	22	♀ sets 7 0	6	7 21	4 39	8 20
Tuesday	8 Severinus	" 2:	2 55	8	☊. ♄ rises 7 12	6	7 20	4 40	9 21
Wednesday	9 Catharine Zell	" 3:	3 54	22	☽ in per. ♂ ☽ ♄.	7	7 20	4 40	10 22
Thursday	10 Paul of Thebes	" 4:	4 56	6	♄ south 9 31 ♌	7	7 19	4 41	11 21
Friday	11 Fructuosus	" 5:	5 57	19	☿ stationary	8	7 19	4 41	12 19
Saturday	12 Jean Chastellain	" 6: 1–25	☽ rise	2	12th. ♀ sets 7 10	8	7 18	4 42	1 18

2] 1*st Sunday after Epiphany.* Luke 2: 41–52; Rom. 12: 1–5. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 24 min.*

Sunday	13 Hilary	John 6: 26–71	5 41	17	♂ ☽ ♃. ☿ in Perihelion	9	7 18	4 42	2 6
Monday	14 Felix	" 7:	6 18	0	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 6 50	9	7 17	4 43	2 50
Tuesday	15 John de Laski	" 8: 1–20	7 19	15	Sirius south 10 52	9	7 16	4 44	3 41
Wednesday	16 George Spalatine	" 8: 21–50	8 8	0	Orion south 10 1	10	7 15	4 45	4 15
Thursday	17 Anthony	" 9:	9 6	14	7* south 7 42	10	7 14	4 46	4 51
Friday	18 John Blackader	" 10: 1–21	9 59	29	♄ south 8 50	10	7 13	4 47	5 36
Saturday	19 Heid. Cat. 1563	" 10: 22–42	10 57	13	♂ ♃ ☉. ♀ sets 7 20	11	7 12	4 48	6 18

3] 2*nd Sunday after Epiphany.* John 2: 1–11; Rom. 12: 6–16. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 36 min.*

Sunday	20 Fabian	Mark 1: 1–20	11 58	27	20th. ☿ ♂ ☉ Inferior.	11	7 12	4 48	6 44
Monday	21 Agnes	" 1: 21–45	morn.	7	☽ in apo. ☉ enters ♒	11	7 11	4 49	7 31
Tuesday	22 Vincent	" 2:	1 1	18	☊. ♄ rises 6 12	12	7 10	4 50	8 18
Wednesday	23 Isaiah	" 3: 1–19	2 5	29	♃ south 11 59 ♋	12	7 9	4 51	9 6
Thursday	24 Timothy	" 3: 20–35	3 8	11	Regulus rises 6 50	12	7 8	4 52	9 50
Friday	25 *Paul's Conver.*	" 4:	4 10	23	♄ south 8 15	12	7 7	4 53	10 42
Saturday	26 Polycarp	" 5: 6: 1–6	5 4	5	♂ ☽ ☿ Rigel south 8 30	13	7 6	4 54	11 40

4] 3*d Sunday after Epiphany.* Matt. 8: 1–13; Rom. 12: 17–21. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 50 min.*

Sunday	27 Jno. Chrysostom	Mark 6: 7–29	5 54	16	7* south 7 1	13	7 5	4 55	12 36
Monday	28 Charlemagne	" 6: 30–56	☽ sets	28	28th. Sirius south 9 58	13	7 4	4 56	1 34
Tuesday	29 Juventin	" 7: 1–23	7 3	9	Neptune stationary	13	7 3	4 57	2 21
Wednesday	30 Henry Müller	" 7: 24–37	8 10	21	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ sets 7 49	14	7 2	4 58	3 11
Thursday	31 Hans Sachs	" 8: 9: 1–31	9 22	3	Rigel south 8 12	14	7 1	4 59	3 50

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter, 5th, 4 o'clock, 35 min., afternoon.
Full Moon, 12th, 10 " 27 " forenoon.
Last Quarter, 20th, 12 " 23 " morning.
New Moon, 28th, 12 " 1 " morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, clear; 3, 4, 5, cold; 6, 7, cloudy; 8, 9, 10, cold; 11, 12, snow; 13, 14, variable; 15, 16, N. W. cold; 17, 18, coldest days; 19, 20, 21, mild; 22, 23, cloudy; 24, 25, 26, rain and snow; 27, 28, clear cold; 29, 30, variable; 31, snow.

(♃.) Jupiter is in opposition with the Sun the 19th, and shines all night.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

NEW YEAR.

FULL knee-deep lies the winter snow,
And the winter winds are wearily sighing:
Toll ye the church bell sad and slow,
For the old year lies a-dying.
Old year, you must not die:
You came to us so readily,
You lived with us so steadily—
Old year, you shall not die!

* * * * * * * * * *

His face is growing sharp and thin,
Alack! our friend is gone!
Close up his eyes, tie up his chin;
Step from the corpse and let him in
That standeth there alone,
And waiteth at the door.
There's a new foot on the floor, my friend,
And a new face at the door, my friend,
A new face at the door.

—*Tennyson.*

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

No better text for a New Year's meditation can be found than that which is presented in the first four words of the Bible—"*In the beginning God*"—. Let God be first in your thoughts, purposes, affections and plans as the New Year opens, and you will indeed have a Happy New Year. God seems to have been at special pains to impress us with the thought that He will allow no other object to stand before Him in the minds and hearts of His people. In the Ten Commandments our duties to God are mentioned first, and next in order our duties to our fellow-men and ourselves. In the Lord's prayer we pray first for God's kingdom and glory, and afterwards for our own needs. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you," said the Saviour. The first four words of the Bible point out to us the road to a true and abiding happiness in time and eternity. A remarkable illustration of this is seen in the contrast often afforded between the calm content of the pious servant of God, however poor, and the utter want of peace experienced by the impenitent, however rich. The celebrated English Lord Dundas, though he enjoyed great riches and high honor, once replied to a friend's wish that he might have a happy New Year, "It had need be happier than the last, for I never knew one happy day in it." Contrast with this the exclamation of the pious Wilberforce, "the last year has been the happiest of my life!"

☞ROMAINE'S New Year's wish for his people was—"God grant that this may be a year famous for believing!"

☞IT is well to make good resolutions, but it is better to carry them out. We read little about the resolutions of the disciples, but very much about the acts of the apostles.

EPIPHANY.

THIS festival, which has been observed in the Church of Christ from the earliest times, always occurs on the sixth day of January. The word Epiphany means *a manifestation.* The cycle of the Epiphany Sundays begins with the manifestation of the infant Redeemer to the magi, or "wise men from the East." Epiphany Sunday proper was anciently known as "The Feast of the Three Kings." After it follows, in order, our Lord's appearance in the Temple at the age of twelve years, the manifestation of His glory in the miracle at Cana, the exhibition of His power in healing the sick and stilling the tempest on the sea. These, His mighty works, were truly epiphanies of His divine majesty and power, and through them "He manifested forth His glory."

A GLORIOUS King is Christ the Lord—
Well may the magi bow to Him.
A bridegroom, too, whose mighty word
Fills festal joys up to the brim.
Diseases bow to Him the knee,
And at His word the sea-storms flee.

A glorious King is Christ our Lord,
Well may we bow the knee to Him.
The Church's Bridegroom calls her toward
The joys and songs of cherubim.
For sin-sick souls there's Gilead's balm,
To every storm an heavenly calm!

☞Do not fail to read this and the pages opposite each month regularly, and also the Daily Bible Lessons. Good advice: take it!

FEBRUARY, *2d Month, 29 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Friday	1 Ignatius	Mark 9:	10 29	♑ 14	☿ ♄ ☉. ☿ stationary ♒	14	7 0	5 0	4 36
Saturday	2 *Candle Mass*	" 10: 1–31	11 36	♑ 27	♄ south 12 2	14	6 59	5 1	5 26
5] *4th Sunday after Epiphany.*		Matt. 8: 23–27; Rom. 13: 1–7.			*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 4 *min.*				
Sunday	3 Ansgar	Matt. 3:	morn.	♑ 13	♄ stationary ♉.	14	6 58	5 2	6 20
Monday	4 Rhaban Maurus	" 4: 1–22	12 36	♑ 26	4th. ☽ in per.	14	9 56	5 4	7 21
Tuesday	5 P. S. Spener	" 4: 23–5; 1–12	1 34	♒ 7	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 7 40	14	6 55	5 5	8 42
Wednesday	6 Amandus	" 5: 13–32	2 38	♒ 21	♀ sets 7 58	14	6 54	5 6	9 38
Thursday	7 George Wagner	" 5: 33–48	3 41	♓ 2	□ Neptune ☉.	14	6 53	5 7	10 31
Friday	8 Maria Andrea	" 6:	4 42	♓ 14	7* south 6 14	14	6 52	5 8	11 20
Saturday	9 John Hooper	" 7:	5 46	♓ 26	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 11 1	14	6 51	5 9	12 19
6] *Septuagesima Sunday.*		Matt. 20: 1–16; 1 Cor. 9: 24–27 and 10: 1–5.			*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 20 *min.*				
Sunday	10 F. C. Oetinger	Luke 3:	☽ rise	♈ 8	10th. ♂ ☽ ♄ ♑ south 11 41	15	6 50	5 10	1 12
Monday	11 H. de St. Victor	" 4:	5 56	♈ 20	Orion south 8 7	15	6 48	5 12	1 51
Tuesday	12 Lady Jane Grey	" 5:	6 47	♉ 2	Spica rises 10 10	15	6 47	5 13	2 42
Wednesday	13 C. F. Schwartz	" 6: 1–19	7 45	♉ 14	♄ south 7 14	14	6 46	5 14	3 34
Thursday	14 Brun. of Querfu't	" 6: 20–49	8 42	♉ 26	☿ gr. Elong. West	14	6 45	5 15	4 16
Friday	15 Jacob von Loh	" 7:	9 42	♊ 9	♀ sets 8 8	14	6 43	5 17	5 7
Saturday	16 Matt. Desübas	" 8:	10 41	♊ 22	♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	14	6 42	5 18	5 49
7] *Sexagesima Sunday.*		Luke 8: 4–15; 2 Cor. 11: 19–33–12: 1–9.			*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 38 *min.*				
Sunday	17 Pat. Hamilton	Luke 9: 1–36	11 45	♋ 4	♃ south 10 30 ♌.	14	6 41	5 19	6 32
Monday	18 Simeon of Jerus	" 9: 37–62	morn.	♋ 16	18th. ☽ in apo.	14	6 40	5 20	7 15
Tuesday	19 Mesrob	" 10:	12 21	♋ 28	☉ enters ♓	14	6 39	5 21	8 5
Wednesday	20 Sadoth	" 11:	12 59	♌ 10	♄ south 11 4	14	6 38	5 22	8 44
Thursday	21 Mainrod	" 11: 37–12: 1–15	1 48	♌ 22	♄ south 6 44	14	6 36	5 24	9 31
Friday	22 *Washington B.*	" 12: 13–59	2 46	♍ 4	□ ♄ ☉. ♀ sets 8 22 ♒	14	6 35	5 25	10 12
Saturday	23 B. Ziegenbalg	" 13: 1–21	3 40	♍ 17	Sirius south 8 15	14	6 33	5 27	10 54
8] *Quinquagesima Sunday.*		Luke 18: 31–43; 1 Cor. 13: 1–13.			*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 56 *min.*				
Sunday	24 Matthias	Luke13: 22–35	4 29	♍ 29	♂ ☽ ☿. ♃ south 10 2	14	6 32	5 28	11 40
Monday	25 Casp. Olevianus	" 14:	5 18	♎ 13	Rigel south 6 33	14	6 31	5 29	12 28
Tuesday	26 *Shrove Tuesday*	" 15:	☽ sets	♎ 28	26th. ☿ in Aphelion.	13	6 30	5 30	1 17
Wednesday	27 *Ash Wednesday*	" 16:	6 56	♏ 12	Arctur rises 8 20	13	6 28	5 32	2 8
Thursday	28 Jno. de Mon. Corv	" 17: 1–19	7 42	♏ 27	♄ south 10 39	13	6 27	5 33	2 49
Friday	29 Ethelbert	" 17: 20–37	8 34	♐ 12	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ sets 8 30	13	6 26	5 34	3 34

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter	4th,	12 o'clock, 57 min.,	morning.
Full Moon,	18th,	11 " 47 "	evening.
Last Quarter	18th,	10 " 12 "	evening.
New Moon,	26th,	1 " 35 "	afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, cold; 4, 5, variable; 6, 7, snow; 8, 9, 10, clear; 11, 12, cloudy; 13, snow; 14, 15, variable; 16, 17, 18, cold; 19, 20, clear; 21, 22, moderate; 23, 24, rain; 25, 26, 27, cold; 28, 29, stormy.

(♂.) Mars is in opposition with the Sun the 1st, and shines all night.

(♀.) Venus is Evening Star till July 11th, then Morning Star till the end of the year.

FEBRUARY.

Sincerely Yours
Diedrich Willers

Rev. Diedrich Willers, D. D., was born February 6, 1798, at Walle, a village adjoining Bremen, Germany. He was educated in the public schools of his native village and in those of the city of Bremen. His parents dying when he was a child, he was brought up by an uncle. In September, 1814, he entered the army of Hanover and served in the German allied army and was an active participant in the battle of Waterloo. He remained with the army of occupation of France for more than three years after the downfall of Napoleon.

In October, 1819, he came to this country, landing in Baltimore, Md., Nov. 16, 1819. Possessed of but little means, he sought employment with which to gain a livelihood. Having an indomitable energy and force of character as additional capital, he became a teacher in one of the schools of York county, Pa.

In early youth having had a desire and purpose to prepare himself for the gospel ministry, he at once entered upon preparations for the same, and the church of his choice, the Reformed (German) Church, having at that time no classical or theological school, he sought instruction under the direction of several leading ministers of his church. In April, 1821, he accepted a call to preach to congregations in Seneca county, N. Y., and was ordained to the holy ministry in September following. He located near Bearytown, in the same county. In this and neighboring counties he performed great and arduous labors, traveling from place to place on horseback. He preached to the congregation at Bearytown for the period of sixty years and eight months—until Jan. 1, 1882—at which time he, by reason of physical infirmities, resigned its pastorate. He lived in retirement thereafter, witnessing with joy the fruits of his labors and surrounded by his devoted friends and children. His death occurred at his residence in the town of Varick, N. Y., on Sunday, May 13, 1883, after a brief illness, in the eighty-sixth year of his age.

Rev. Willers was a man of rare qualities which made him respected and revered by all those who knew him. He was learned in the classics and especially conversant with theology and church history. Some years ago he received from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. He loved the church of his choice and his labors were abundant for her advancement. He was a leading and influential minister, presiding repeatedly over the several synods and classes with which he stood connected. At his death he was the oldest minister of the Reformed Church in the United States. Truly his works do follow him, and long shall he live in the hearts and memories of those who loved him as pastor, friend and parent.

LENT.

Ash-Wednesday is the first day of Lent, and Lent is the season of preparation for Easter. It is a time of special penitence and prayer, of self-examination and self-consecration. Now we humble ourselves under the mighty hand of Him by whom alone we can be, in due time, exalted to a true and spiritual joy. As the joys of Easter morning follow the penitential sorrows of Lent, so always is it in God's dealings. He gives us the bitter first, the sweet last: the sorrows here, the joys hereafter: the cross on earth, the crown in heaven. It is not so with the world. The world gives the good wine first, and "after men have well drunken, then that which is worse." Joy and happiness first, and misery in the end—this is ever the world's way. But with God, "after winter followeth summer, after night the day returneth, and after a tempest a great calm."

☞"Dress and tonsure profit little; but a change of heart and perfect mortification of the passions—these make a true Christian."

MARCH, *3d Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Saturday	1 Suidbert	Luke 18: 1–20	9 36	♑ 28	☽ in per. ♄ south 10 29 ♋	13	6 25	5 35	4 20
9] *1st Sunday in Lent.*		Matt. 4: 1–11; 2 Cor. 6: 1–10.			*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 12 *min.*				
Sunday	2 John Wesley	Luke 18: 31; 19: 1-28	10 33	♋ 11	Antares sets 8 56	12	6 24	5 36	5 4
Monday	3 Bathilde	" 19: 29; 20: 1-18	11 32	♋ 24	☾ ☌ ☽ ♄. ♍.	12	6 23	5 37	5 46
Tuesday	4 Geo. Wishart	" 20: 19; 21: 1-4	morn.	♌ 6	4th. ♄ south 5 55	12	6 21	5 39	6 40
Wednesday	5 *Ember Day*	" 21: 5–35	12 30	♌ 18	☿ sets 11 52	12	6 20	5 40	7 39
Thursday	6 Fridolin	" 22: 1–30	1 24	♌ 0	♀ sets 8 59	11	6 19	5 41	8 38
Friday	7 Perpetua	" 22: 31–71	2 18	♌ 12	☌ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 9 22	11	6 18	5 42	9 36
Saturday	8 Zach. Ursinus	" 23:	3 21	♌ 24	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 9 58	11	6 16	5 44	10 31
10] *2d Sunday in Lent.*		Matt. 15: 21–28; 1 Thess. 4: 1–8.			*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 30 *min.*				
Sunday	9 Cyrillus	Mark 10: 32–52	4 31	♍ 6	Regulus south 10 42	11	6 15	5 45	11 38
Monday	10 Forty Marts Seb.	" 11:	5 18	♍ 18	Spica rises 8 28	11	6 14	5 46	12 21
Tuesday	11 Wm. Hoseus	" 12:	☽ rise	♎ 0	11th. ♄ sets 11 20	10	6 12	5 48	1 16
Wednesday	12 Greg. the Great	" 13:	6 54	♎ 12	☿ sets 9 12	10	6 11	5 49	1 59
Thursday	13 Rudericus	" 14: 1–54	7 55	♎ 24	♄ stationary	10	6 10	5 50	2 41
Friday	14 Matilda	" 14: 55; 15: 1-15	8 49	♏ 7	♃ south 9 1	10	6 8	5 52	3 32
Saturday	15 Thos. Cranmer	" 15: 16–47	9 40	♏ 19	☊. ♄ south 9 34	10	6 7	5 53	4 11
11] *3d Sunday in Lent.*		Luke 11: 14–28; Eph. 5: 1–9.			*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 48 *min.*				
Sunday	16 Heribert	Matt. 20: 17–33	10 20	♏ 2	☿ ♃ ☉. Orion sets 12 26	9	6 6	5 54	5 5
Monday	17 St. Patrick	" 21:	11 11	♏ 15	☽ in apo. ☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	9	6 4	5 56	5 51
Tuesday	18 Alexander	" 22:	11 59	♏ 28	♄ sets 11 1	9	6 3	5 57	6 42
Wednesday	19 Mary & Martha	" 23:	morn.	♐ 11	9th. ☿ sets 9 21	8	6 2	5 58	7 31
Thursday	20 Ambrose of Sien.	" 24: 1–31	12 56	♐ 24	☉ enters ♈ Day and Night equal. ☾	8	6 0	6 0	8 22
Friday	21 Benedict	" 24: 32–51	1 51	♑ 8	Spring commences	8	5 59	6 1	9 14
Saturday	22 Nich. v. d. Flüe	" 25:	2 37	♑ 22	♄ in Aphelion	7	5 58	6 2	10 6
12] *4th Sunday in Lent.*		John 6: 1–14; Gal. 4: 21–31.			*Day's Length*, 12 *hours*, 6 *min.*				
Sunday	23 Wolfgang	Matt. 26: 1–13	3 19	♑ 7	♄ south 9 6	7	5 57	6 3	10 40
Monday	24 Florentius	" 26: 14–35	3 59	♑ 22	♃ south 8 20	7	5 56	6 4	11 22
Tuesday	25 Ann. V. Mary	" 26: 36–56	4 41	♒ 7	Sirius sets 11 20	6	5 54	6 6	11 59
Wednesday	26 Lindger	" 26: 57-67; 27: 1, 2	5 31	♒ 22	☾ ☌ ☽ ☿. 7* sets 11 55	6	5 53	6 7	12 46
Thursday	27 Rupertus	" 27: 3–31	☽ sets	♓ 6	27th. Altair rises 12 16	6	5 52	6 8	1 33
Friday	28 John v. Goch	" 27: 32–50	8 19	♓ 21	☽ in per. Pollux south 7 2	6	5 50	6 10	2 21
Saturday	29 Eustatius	" 27: 51–56	9 42	♈ 5	☿ sets 9 55	5	5 49	6 11	3 11
13] *5th Sunday in Lent.*		John 8: 46–59; Heb. 9: 11–15.			*Day's Length*, 12 *hours*, 24 *min.*				
Sunday	30 John Heermann	John 11:	10 31	♈ 19	☾ ☌ ☽ ☿. ☾ ☿ ☉ Superior ♍	5	5 48	6 12	4 9
Monday	31 Ernest the Pious	" 12:	11 19	♉ 2	☾ ☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 10 34	4	5 46	6 14	4 49

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter, 4th, 8 o'clock, 31 min., morning.
Full Moon, 11th, 2 " 40 " afternoon.
Last Quarter, 19th, 6 " 13 " evening.
New Moon, 27th, 12 " 47 " morning

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, rain; 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, cloudy; 6, 7, clear; 8, 9, variable; 10, 11, fair; 12, 13, snow; 14, 15, N. W. cold; 16, 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, cloudy; 21, 22, 23, rain and snow; 24, 25, clear; 26, 27, 28, stormy; 29, 30, fair; 31, variable.

REV. AMBROSE D. GRING.

MRS. HARRIET L. GRING.

OUR FIRST MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN.

REV. AMBROSE D. GRING was elected missionary to Japan, Sept. 30th, 1878, and, at Easton, Pa., October 25th, the same year, was solemnly ordained to the gospel ministry, and assigned by the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions, to Japan as his field of labor. He and his wife sailed from San Francisco in May, 1879, and reached Yokohama, Japan, the following month. Tokio was selected as the place for missionary operations. Up to this time great progress has been made in the work, and the missionaries are encouraged. They and it need the prayers and alms of the Church which has sent them upon it.

A CHEAP AND SHAMEFUL PLEA.

WE have often seen Christian people seeking shelter from the demands of the Foreign Mission work behind the pitiful plea: "We have enough heathen at home. Let us convert them first before we go to the heathen abroad." "That plea," says Phillips Brooks, "we all know, and I think it sounds more cheap and more shameful than to make the imperfection of our Christianity at home an excuse for our not doing work abroad! It is as shameless as it is shameful. It pleads for exemption and indulgence on the ground of its own neglect and sin. It is like the murderer of his father asking the judge to have pity on his orphanhood. Even the men who make such a plea feel, I think, how unheroic it is." As to the relative importance of Home and Foreign Mission work it is sufficient to say: "This ought ye to have done, and not leave the other undone." All the world is the field of the Church, and the Master's imperative, urgent "Go ye!" is still thundering through the ages, rebuking the sloth and weakness of the disciples, and inciting the most heroic devotion and effort for the salvation of the world.

☞ A handful of common sense is worth a bushel of learning.

APRIL, *4th Month, 30 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Tuesday	1 Fritigid	John 13: 1–30	morn.	♑ 15	♀ sets 10 1	4	5 45	6 15	5 33
Wednesday	2 Theodosia	" 13: 31; 14:	12 15	♑ 28	☽ 2d. ♀ in Per. ♌	4	5 44	6 16	6 26
Thursday	3 Gerh. Tersteegen	" 15:	12 59	♒ 10	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 7 25	3	5 42	6 18	7 20
Friday	4 Ambrose	" 16:	1 38	♒ 22	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 8 30	3	5 41	6 19	8 16
Saturday	5 Christ. Scriver	" 17:	2 16	♓ 4	Sirius sets 10 42	3	5 40	6 20	9 10

14] *Palm Sunday.* John 12: 1–16; Philip. 2: 5–10. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 44 min.*

Sunday	6 Albert Durer	Lam. Jeremiah	2 49	♈ 16	♄ sets 10 18	3	5 38	6 22	10 8
Monday	7 Olaus Peterson	Heb. 8:	3 18	♈ 28	Wega rises 8 40	2	5 37	6 23	10 49
Tuesday	8 Mart. Chemnitz	" 9:	3 50	♉ 10	7* sets 10 0	2	5 36	6 24	11 41
Wednesday	9 Thos. v. Westen	" 10:	4 51	♉ 23	Orion sets 11 3	2	5 35	6 25	12 37
Thursday	10 *Maundy Thurs.*	John 6:	☽ rise	♊ 5	10th. ☿ in Perihelion.	1	5 33	6 27	1 31
Friday	11 *Good Friday*	Luke 13: 32–49	7 20	♊ 18	♀ sets 10 19	1	5 32	6 28	2 22
Saturday	12 Sabas	Heb. 4:	8 1	♋ 1	☊. ♄ south 7 59	1	5 31	6 29	3 12

15] *Easter Sunday.* John 20: 1–10; Col. 3: 1–11. *Day's Length, 13 hours, 2 min.*

Sunday	13 *Easter Sunday*	John 20: 1–18	8 56	♋ 14	☽ in apo. Antares rises 10 30	0	5 29	6 31	3 53
Monday	14 *Easter Monday*	Luke 21: 1–12	9 59	♋ 27	□ ♃ ☉. ♃ south 6 45 sun	5	28	6 32	4 41
Tuesday	15 Simon Dach	Acts 2: 22–47	10 57	♌ 10	♄ sets 9 56 fast	5	27	6 33	5 32
Wednesday	16 Peter Waldo	1 Cor. 15:	11 49	♌ 24	Spica south 11 40 ♋	0	5 26	6 34	6 18
Thursday	17 Mappalicus	Rom. 6:	morn.	♍ 8	7* sets 9 26	0	5 24	6 36	6 56
Friday	18 Luther at Worms	" 8:	12 40	♍ 22	18th. Sirius rises 9 51	1	5 23	6 37	7 43
Saturday	19 Melancthon	1 Cor. 3:	1 28	♎ 6	♀ sets 10 29	1	5 22	6 38	8 31

16] *1st Sunday after Easter.* John 20: 19–31; 1 John 5: 4–10. *Day's Length, 13 hours, 18 min.*

Sunday	20 John Bugenhag.	John 1:	2 8	♎ 20	☿ gr. Hel. L. N. ☉ enters ♉	1	5 21	6 39	9 23
Monday	21 Anselm of Cant.	" 2:	2 47	♎ 5	♄ south 7 21	1	5 19	6 41	10 14
Tuesday	22 Origen	" 3:	3 20	♏ 19	♄ sets 9 41	1	5 18	6 42	10 57
Wednesday	23 Adelbert	" 4:	3 56	♏ 3	Orion sets 9 5	2	5 17	6 43	11 44
Thursday	24 Wilfrid	" 5:	4 31	♐ 17	Rigel sets 8 32	2	5 16	6 44	12 35
Friday	25 St. Mark, Ev.	" 6: 1–40	☽ sets	♐ 1	25th. ☿ g. Elong. East	2	5 15	6 45	1 23
Saturday	26 Trudpert	" 6: 41–71	8 13	♐ 14	☽ in per ♂ ☽ ☿. ☿ sets 7 30	2	5 14	6 46	2 11

17] *2nd Sunday after Easter.* John 10: 11–16; 1 Pet. 2: 20–25. *Day's Length, 13 hours, 36 min.*

Sunday	27 Otto Catelin	John 7:	9 36	♐ 27	♂ ☽ ♄. ♂. ♄ sets 9 28	2	5 12	6 48	2 50
Monday	28 Fred. Myconius	" 8: 1–30	9 56	♑ 10	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ sets 10 36	3	5 11	6 49	3 41
Tuesday	29 L. von Berquin	" 8: 31–59	10 48	♑ 23	♄ south 6 58	3	5 10	6 50	4 32
Wednesday	30 Geo. Calixtus	" 9:	11 32	♒ 5	♃ sets 12 0 ♍	3	5 9	6 51	5 18

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter, 2d, 4 o'clock, 17 min., afternoon.

Full Moon, 10th. 6 " 44 " morning.

Last Quarter, 18th, 10 " 54 " forenoon.

New Moon, 25th, 9 " 57 " morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, fair; 3, 4, cloudy; 5, 6, rain; 7, 8, 9, clear; 10, 11, variable; 12, 13, rain; 14, 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, N.W. storm; 19, 20, 21, variable; 22, 23, thunder showers; 24, 25, 26, fair, 27, 28, variable; 29, 30, rain.

THE CROSS.

FATHER, now
Before Thee
I humbly bow
Low the knee,
And thank Thee, Lord, that Thou hast died for me;
That Thou didst bear upon the accursed tree
My fearful load of sin upon Thy head:
And that for me Thy precious blood was shed.
And Lord,
I pray
Thy word
This day
May rest
Within
My breast.
And cry—
Lord, help
Thou me
To live
For Thee;
And day by day to read Thy word,
And know Thou art a saving Lord.

PALM SUNDAY.

IT was a common practice in the East, and one which on certain great and joyful occasions has been observed in other countries, to strew flowers and branches of trees in the way of conquerors and renowned princes. Herodotus states that the people went before Xerxes as he passed over the Hellespont, and burnt all manner of perfumes on the bridges, and strewed the way with myrtles. So did those Jews who believed Christ to be the promised Messiah and the King of Israel: they cut down branches of the trees and strewed them in His way. Sometimes the whole road which leads to the capital of an Eastern monarch is covered for several miles with rich silks, over which he rides into the city. Agreeably to this custom, the multitudes spread their garments in the way when the Saviour rode in triumph into Jerusalem.

EASTER.

THIS, the chief of the festivals of the Christian year, has been observed with appropriate services from the earliest times, and will not, to the remotest day, fail to excite joy and gratitude in the heart of the devout believer. For upon this day Christ rose in triumph over death and the grave, purchasing thereby a final and complete victory for all His people over all their foes. As surely as Christ rose from the dead, so surely will all they that are His at last come forth to a new, higher and eternal life, in bodies bright and beautiful, and with souls purged forever of every sin and stain. "*Because I live, ye shall live also,*" is the re-assuring word of Christ.

☞A CERTAIN poor man, who was to undergo a painful operation, begged that it might be deferred until Good Friday, in order that he might fix his mind more fully on the sufferings of Christ.

MAY, *5th Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.		Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Thursday	1	Phil. & James	John 10:	morn.	♒ 17	☌ ☽ ♃. ♃ sets 11 51 ♓	3	5 8	6 52	5 59
Friday	2	Athanasius	" 11:	12 39	♓ 29	2d. ☌ ☽ ♄. ☿ gr. El. East	3	5 7	6 53	6 42
Saturday	3	Monica	" 12:	1 18	♈ 11	♄ sets 12 10	3	5 6	6 54	7 31

18] *3d Sunday after Easter.* John 16: 16–22; 1 Pet. 2: 20–25. *Day's Length,* 13 *hours,* 52 *min.*

Sunday	4	Florian	John 13: 14:	1 49	♈ 23	☿ sets 10 41	3	5 4	6 56	8 29
Monday	5	Fred. the Wise	" 15:	2 17	♉ 5	♄ sets 8 40	3	5 3	6 57	9 28
Tuesday	6	John of Damasc.	" 16: 17:	2 51	♉ 17	□ ♄ ☉. ☿ stationary	4	5 2	6 58	10 31
Wednesday	7	Otto the Great	" 18:	3 16	♉ 29	♃ sets 11 39	4	5 1	6 59	11 29
Thursday	8	Stanislaus	" 19:	4 10	♊ 12	7* sets 8 4	4	5 0	7 0	12 10
Friday	9	Greg. Nazianzen	" 20:	☽ rise	♊ 25	9th. ☊	4	4 59	7 1	1 3
Saturday	10	John Heuglin	" 21:	7 59	♋ 8	☽ in apo. ♂ Neptune ☉	4	4 58	7 2	1 46

19] *4th Sunday after Easter.* John 16: 5–15; Jas. 1: 16–21. *Day's Length,* 14 *hours,* 6 *min.*

Sunday	11	John Arndt	Heb. 1: 2:	8 44	♋ 22	☿ sets 10 31	4	4 57	7 3	2 33
Monday	12	Meletius	" 3: 4:	9 40	♌ 6	♄ sets 11 50	4	4 56	7 4	3 14
Tuesday	13	Servatius	" 5: 6:	10 36	♌ 20	Sirius sets 8 21	4	4 55	7 5	3 52
Wednesday	14	Pachomius	" 7:	11 20	♍ 4	Orion sets 8 44 ☋	4	4 54	7 6	4 41
Thursday	15	Moses	" 8:	11 59	♍ 18	♄ sets 8 12	4	4 53	7 7	5 21
Friday	16	Martyrs at L.	" 9:	morn.	♎ 2	♃ sets 11 8	4	4 52	7 8	6 10
Saturday	17	Joachim of Flor.	" 10:	12 14	♎ 16	17th. ☌ ☿ ☉ Inferior.	4	4 52	7 8	6 54

20] *5th Sunday after Easter.* John 16: 23–33; Jas. 1: 22–27. *Day's Length,* 14 *hours,* 18 *min.*

Sunday	18	80 Mar. un. Val.	Heb. 11:	12 46	♏ 0	☿ sets 10 21	4	4 51	7 9	7 43
Monday	19	Alcuin	" 12:	1 16	♏ 14	♄ sets 11 40	4	4 50	7 10	8 40
Tuesday	20	Val. Herberger	" 13:	1 52	♏ 29	Arctur south 10 18	4	4 49	7 11	9 38
Wednesday	21	Constantine	John 14:	2 26	♐ 13	☉ enters ♊	4	4 48	7 12	10 31
Thursday	22	*Ascension Day*	Col. 2:	3 2	♐ 27	♃ sets 10 40	4	4 48	7 12	11 26
Friday	23	Jerome Savonar	John 15:	3 40	♑ 10	Rigel sets 7 32	3	4 47	7 13	12 21
Saturday	24	Augustine Cazal.	" 16:	☽ sets	♑ 23	24th. ☽ In per. ☌ ☽ ☿	3	4 46	7 14	1 15

21] *6th Sunday after Easter.* John 15: 26—16: 1 Pet. 4: 8–11. *Day's Length,* 14 *hours,* 30 *min.*

Sunday	25	Augustine	1 John 1:	7 52	♒ 6	☌ ☽ ♄. ♍ ♄ sets 7 40	3	4 45	7 15	1 57
Monday	26	Beda Venerabilis	" 2:	8 44	♒ 19	Spica south 9 3	3	4 44	7 16	2 43
Tuesday	27	John Calvin	" 3:	9 32	♓ 1	☌ ☽ ☿. ☿ sets 10 6 ♓	3	4 43	7 17	3 24
Wednesday	28	Lanranc	" 4:	10 12	♓ 13	☌ ☽ ♃. ♃ sets 10 14	3	4 43	7 17	4 12
Thursday	29	Dav. Zeisberger	" 5:	10 50	♓ 25	☿ stationary	3	4 42	7 18	4 52
Friday	30	Jerome of Prague	Joel 3:	11 41	♈ 7	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 11 26	3	4 41	7 19	5 41
Saturday	31	Joac'm Neander	John 17:	morn.	♈ 19	31st. ♓ stationary	3	4 41	7 19	6 32

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter,	2d,	1 o'clock,	7 min.,	morning.
Full Moon,	9th,	11 "	7 "	evening.
Last Quarter,	17th,	11 "	54 "	evening.
New Moon,	24th,	5 "	36 "	afternoon.
First Quarter,	31st,	11 "	56 "	forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, rain; 6, 7, warm; 8, 9, thunder showers; 10, 11, frost; 12, 13, 14, 15, clear; 16, 17, rain; 18, 19, clear; 20, 21, thunder; 22, 23, 24, variable; 25, 26, 27, fair; 28, 29, cloudy; 30, 31, clear.

ASCENSION.

As it is an historical fact that Christ rose from the dead, so also is it an historical fact that He did ascend into heaven, there to rule and reign as King of Saints and Angels. His ascension is the blessed pledge of the final exaltation of His people to God's right hand in glory. "*Where I am there shall ye be also,*" is His sweet and comforting word. "*I go to prepare a place for you.*"

The believer, being risen with Christ from the death of sin, must and will "seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God." He cannot be content with tarrying in this world. His affections, hopes and lofty spiritual aspirations draw him upward where Christ is.

God Governs the World.

When Bullstrode Whitelock was embarked as Cromwell's envoy to Sweden in 1653, he was much disturbed in mind, as he rested at Harwich the preceding night, which was very stormy, as he thought upon the distracted state of the nation. It happened that a confidential servant slept in an adjacent bed, who finding that his master could not sleep, at length said—

"Pray, sir, will you give me leave to ask you a question?"

"Certainly."

"Pray, sir, do you not think that God governed the world very well before you came into it?"

"Undoubtedly."

"And pray, sir, do you not think He will govern it quite as well when you are gone out of it?"

"Certainly."

"Then pray, sir, excuse me, but do you not think that you may trust Him to govern it quite as well while you are in it?"

To this question Whitelock had nothing to reply; but turning about, soon fell fast asleep till he was summoned to embark.

☞Have family prayers. Wherever Abraham pitched his tent, there he sat up an altar.

The Faults of Others.

My neighbors' faults I see,
And yet
My own delinquency
Forget.

I have a standard high,
You see,
The dust for them, the sky
For me.

To my own errors blind,
My sight
Another's fault can find
At night.

Oh, that I had the grace
Within
My heart for love,—no place
For sin.

A Minister's Salary.

Supposing a minister has a salary of say six hundred dollars, the addition of another hundred may make all the difference to him that there is between comfort and tight pinching. He makes both ends meet on six hundred dollars by a degree of economy that is absolutely degrading to an educated, sensitive man. Another hundred would make a different man of him, and make his home a different place. In many cases he might have the additional hundred as well as not. In a congregation of two hundred members the increase would be only two cents additional per Sunday. If your minister is pinched as many are, remember a cent or two per week will make his circumstances comparatively easy.

☞"How much did he leave?" was asked upon the death of a rich but impenitent man. "He left ALL!" was the significant reply.

☞The origin of the Turk's turban is supposed by many to have been the wearing of the winding-sheet wrapped about the head, to remind the wearer of his own mortality.

☞A man once wrote over the door of his house, "Let nothing evil enter here!" On which another, passing by, remarked: "Then the master of the house must never come in!"

JUNE, *6th Month, 30 Days.* 1884.

eeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
22]	*Whit Sunday or Pentecost.*	John 14: 15–31; Acts 2: 1–11.			*Day's Length*, 14 *hours*, 40 *min.*				
Sunday	1 *Whit Sunday*	Gal. 3: 4: 1–7	12 34	♈ 1	☿ sets 10 12 ☽	2	4 40	7 20	7 18
Monday	2 *Whit Monday*	" 5:	1 11	♈ 13	Regulus sets 11 57	2	4 39	7 21	8 8
Tuesday	3 Chlotilde	Rom. 12:	1 41	♈ 25	♂ ☋ ☉. ♄ sets 11 5	2	4 39	7 21	8 49
Wednesday	4 *Emberday*	1 Cor. 13:	2 10	♉ 8	Antares south 11 4	2	4 38	7 22	9 30
Thursday	5 Boniface	Rom. 6: 19–7:	2 42	♉ 22	☊. Arctur sets 11 44	2	4 38	7 22	10 28
Friday	6 Norbert	" 8:	3 13	♊ 5	☽ in apo. Libra south 10 9	2	4 37	7 23	11 25
Saturday	7 Paul Gerhart	2 Cor. 5:	3 43	♊ 18	♃ sets 9 25	1	4 37	7 23	12 20
23]	*Trinity Sunday.*	John 3: 1-15; Rev. 4: 1–11.			*Day's Length*, 14 *hours*, 46 *min.*				
Sunday	8 A. H. Francke	Acts 1: 2:	☽ rise	♊ 2	8th. Castor sets 10 24	1	4 37	7 23	1 17
Monday	9 Columba	" 3:	8 24	♊ 16	♄ sets 10 49	1	4 36	7 24	2 28
Tuesday	10 Fred. Barbarossa	" 4:	9 10	♋ 1	☿ sets 9 49 ☋	1	4 36	7 24	3 44
Wednesday	11 Barnabas	" 5:	9 46	♋ 16	☿ rises 3 51	1	4 36	7 24	4 27
Thursday	12 Corpus Christi	" 6:	10 14	♌ 0	☿ gr. Elong. W.	0	4 36	7 24	5 16
Friday	13 Isaac Le Febre	" 7:	10 40	♌ 15	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	0	4 35	7 25	5 59
Saturday	14 Basil	" 8:	11 18	♌ 29	□ ♐ ☉. ♃* rises 2 43	sun	4 35	7 25	6 43
24]	1*st Sunday after Trinity.*	Luke 16: 19–21; 1 John 4: 7–21.			*Day's Length*, 14 *hours*, 50 *min.*				
Sunday	15 W. Wilberforce	1 Pet. 2: 1–10	11 58	♍ 14	♃ sets 9 2	sl'w	4 35	7 25	7 31
Monday	16 Richard Baxter	Acts 10:	morn.	♍ 28	16th. Spica sets 1 3	0	4 35	7 25	8 20
Tuesday	17 John Tauler	" 11:	12 25	♎ 11	♄ sets 10 32	1	4 35	7 25	9 8
Wednesday	18 Pamphilus	" 12: 2	1 10	♎ 24	☿ sets 9 34	1	4 35	7 25	9 49
Thursday	19 Council at Nice	1 Pet. 2: 11–3: 1–17	1 50	♏ 8	☿ stationary ♉.	1	4 35	7 25	10 32
Friday	20 27 Martyrs	" 3: 18–4: 16	2 18	♏ 21	☉ enters ♋ Longest Day	1	4 34	7 26	11 15
Saturday	21 Matt. Claudius	" 4: 17–5:	2 56	♐ 4	☽ in per. Summer commences	1	4 35	7 25	11 58
25]	2*d Sunday after Trinity.*	Luke 14: 16–24; 1 John 3: 13–21.			*Day's Length*, 14 *hours*, 50 *min.*				
Sunday	22 Gottschalk	James 1:	3 42	♐ 16	Arctur south 8 8	1	4 35	7 25	12 42
Monday	23 Gottfried Arnold	2 Pet. 1: 12–2: 23	☽ sets	♐ 28	23d. Altair s 1 35 uth ♒	2	4 35	7 25	1 34
Tuesday	24 John Baptist	James 2:	8 18	♑ 10	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ sets 8 36	2	4 35	7 25	2 17
Wednesday	25 Augsburg Conf.	" 3:	8 55	♑ 22	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ sets 8 55	2	4 35	7 25	2 59
Thursday	26 J. Val. Andreæ	" 4:	9 24	♒ 4	♂ ☿ ♄. 7* rises 1 55	2	4 35	7 25	3 31
Friday	27 Seven Sleepers	" 5:	9 51	♒ 16	Andromeda rises 9 48	3	4 35	7 25	4 26
Saturday	28 Irenæus	Jude	10 29	♒ 28	♂ ☽ ♉. ♉ sets 10 10	3	4 36	7 25	5 13
26]	3*d Sunday after Trinity.*	Luke 15: 1–10; 1 Peter 5: 6–11.			*Day's Length*, 14 *hours*, 48 *min.*				
Sunday	29 Peter and Paul	Acts 13: 1–12	10 59	♓ 10	♄ rises 2 50	3	4 36	7 24	5 56
Monday	30 Raymond Lully	" 13–52	11 40	♓ 23	30th. Wega south 11 56	3	4 36	7 24	6 41

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	8th,	2 o'clock,	49 min.,	afternoon.
Last Quarter	16th,	9 "	34 "	forenoon.
New Moon,	23d,	12 "	33 "	morning.
First Quarter	30th,	1 "	14 "	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, thunder showers; 6, 7, 8, clear; 9, 10, cloudy; 11, thunder; 12, 13, variable; 14, 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, showers; 19, 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, cloudy; 24, rain; 25, 26, 27, fair; 28, 29, 30, warm.

(♄.) Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun, the 3d, and cannot be seen.

WHITSUNDAY.

THIS great festival of the Church year occurs on the seventh Sunday after Easter. As our Saviour ascended into heaven forty days after His resurrection, Ascension day is about six weeks after Easter. As the Holy Ghost was poured out on the disciples ten days after his ascension, it was, consequently, fifty days from the day of His resurrection to the day of the descent of the Holy Ghost. The day on which the Holy Ghost was poured out on the infant church was called *Pentecost*, which is a word derived from the Greek language and means fifty, or the fiftieth: because it is fifty days from Easter to Whitsunday. We have this same name of Pentecost in the Pennsylvania German name, *Pinkshta*.

Pentecost is more commonly known as Whitsunday or White-Sunday. The origin of this name is as follows. In the early church, persons were usually baptized on Easter, and wore white garments during the whole period from Easter to Pentecost. This whole period of fifty days was, from this circumstance, known as Whitesuntide, but gradually the name became the distinguishing title of this one Sunday, Pentecost or Whitsunday.

In the early church, the whole period of fifty days between Easter and Whitsunday was regarded as one continuous festival in honor of Christ's resurrection, ascension and the coming of the Holy Ghost. Fasting, and kneeling in prayer were then discontinued, and the *Alleluia*, which had been omitted during Lent, was now again abundantly heard in the services of the church, while the whole general character of worship was of a festal kind. Believers rejoiced in the thought of the resurrection, ascension and glorious exaltation of Christ the Lord and King. Hence they appropriately arrayed the newly baptized in white garments of festal joy, and called this day White-Sunday.

☞ THE truths of Christianity are like a church window of stained glass. Seen from the outside, the window is only a meaningless mass of glass and lead; but seen from within, how glorious!

☞ Are you a subscriber for your church paper? If not, you certainly should be. Get it at once!

A Seat in Church.

A MAN should use his seat in church very much as a chair in his own house; that is courteously towards guests who may come to receive the hospitality of the household. If he cannot provide him with another, he should surrender his own, doing it gladly as a part of Christian politeness that should be seen in every place, but most of all in the house of worship. Some men seem to think of their pew as of the seat in the railway car, which they have paid for, and which they consider it an intrusion for any one to ask to share.

☞ IT is of the highest importance that every member of a church should be interested in its welfare. It may get along whether he is or not, but he will miss what it is fitted for giving him if he is not busy looking after its wants and helping to supply them.

☞ THAT was a wise answer which was once given by a certain eminent divine to the question "whether he enjoyed full assurance of faith?" "I think I do," answered the doctor,—"*except during an East wind!*"

ABUNDANT GIVING.

THE sun gives ever, so the earth;
What it can give, so much 'tis worth.
The ocean gives in many ways;
Gives paths, gives rivers, fishes, bays;
So, too, the air, it gives us breath,
When it stops giving comes in death.
Give, give; be always giving;
Who gives not is not living;
The more we give the more we live.

God's love, though in our wealth unheaped,
Only by giving it is reaped;
The body withers, and the mind,
If pent in by a selfish rind.
Give thought, give strength, give deeds, give pelf,
Give love, give tears, and give thyself.
Give, give; be always giving;
Who gives not is not living;
The more we give the more we live.

JULY, *7th Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Tuesday	1 H. Voes	Acts 14:	morn.	♌ 5	☉ in Apogee ♋	3	4 36	7 24	7 27
Wednesday	2 Visit V. M.	" 15:	12 19	♌ 17	♀ sets 8 12	4	4 37	7 23	8 10
Thursday	3 Otto Bishop	" 16:	12 51	♌ 0	☊. ♃ sets 8 15	4	4 37	7 23	8 59
Friday	4 *Independence*	" 17:	1 36	♍ 13	☽ in apo. ♁ sets 9 50	4	4 37	7 23	9 41
Saturday	5 Lord Cobham	" 17: 15–18: 11	2 18	♍ 26	R gulus sets 9 44	4	4 38	7 22	10 30

27] *4th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 6: 36–42; Rom. 8: 18–23. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 44 min.*

Sunday	6 John Huss	1 Thess. 1:	2 49	♎ 10	♄ rises 2 38	4	4 38	7 22	11 27
Monday	7 Willebald	" 2:1-16:	3 28	♎ 25	☿ in Perihelion ♒	4	4 38	7 22	12 24
Tuesday	8 Kilian	" 2:17-3:	☽ rise	♏ 10	8th. Antares south 9 9	5	4 39	7 21	1 21
Wednesday	9 Ephraim the Syr.	" 4:	8 0	♏ 25	Wega south 11 18	5	4 39	7 21	1 59
Thursday	10 Wm. of Orange	" 5:	8 46	♐ 10	Altair south 12 18	5	4 39	7 21	2 44
Friday	11 Placedus	" 1; 2: 1–12	9 19	♐ 25	♂ ♀ ☉ Inferior	5	4 40	7 20	3 27
Saturday	12 Henry II.	" 2:13-3:	9 57	♑ 10	♁ sets 9 35	5	4 40	7 20	4 15

28] *5th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 5: 1–11; 1 Pet. 3: 8–15. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 38 min.*

Sunday	13 Eugenius	Gal. 1: 1–10	10 29	♑ 25	♂ ☿ ☉ Superior	5	4 41	7 19	4 59
Monday	14 Bonaventura	Acts 18: 12; 19; 1–10	10 59	♑ 9	♃ sets 7 50	5	4 41	7 19	5 42
Tuesday	15 Answer	Gal. 1–11; 2: 1–14	11 39	♒ 22	15th. ♉	6	4 42	7 18	6 30
Wednesday	16 Anna Askow	" 2: 15; 3: 1–14	morn.	♒ 9	♄ rises 2 27	6	4 43	7 17	7 14
Thursday	17 Separatus & 11co.	" 3: 15	12 16	♒ 22	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	6	4 43	7 17	8 16
Friday	18 Arnulf	" 4:	1 15	♓ 5	♂ ♁ ♅	6	4 44	7 16	9 18
Saturday	19 Louisa Henrietta	" 5–6:	2 13	♓ 17	♂ ☽ ♄. ♁ sets 9 18	6	4 45	7 15	10 20

29] *6th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 5: 20–26; Rom. 6: 3–11. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 30 min.*

Sunday	20 John Martheil	1 Cor. 1:	3 16	♈ 29	☽ in per. ♄ rises 2 10 ♋	6	4 45	7 15	11 21
Monday	21 Eberhard	" 2:	4 18	♉ 12	♂ ☽ ♀ Dog Days Begin	6	4 46	7 14	12 22
Tuesday	22 Mary Magdalen	" 3:	☽ sets	♉ 24	22d. ♃ sets 7 31	6	4 47	7 13	1 23
Wednesday	23 God'r v. Hamelle	" 4: 5–6: 1–8	7 42	♊ 6	♂ ☽ ♃ ☿ enters ☉ ☊.	6	4 48	7 12	2 12
Thursday	24 Thos. A. Kempis	" 5: 9–6:	8 14	♊ 18	♀ in Aphelion	6	4 49	7 11	3 8
Friday	25 St. James	" 7:	8 44	♋ 29	Pollux sets 8 19	6	4 50	7 10	3 49
Saturday	26 Christopher	" 8–9:	9 12	♌ 11	♂ ☽ ♁. ♁ sets 9 6	6	4 51	7 9	4 30

30] *7th Sunday after Trinity.* Mark 8: 1–9; Rom. 6: 10–23. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 16 min.*

Sunday	27 Raym. Palmarius	1 Cor. 10–11: 1	9 42	♌ 23	♄ rises 1 55	6	4 52	7 8	5 13
Monday	28 Jno. Seb. Bach	" 11: 2	10 36	♍ 5	Spica sets 10 14	6	4 53	7 7	5 56
Tuesday	29 Olaus	" 12: 1–30	11 16	♍ 17	29th. ☊ 7* risses 11 36	6	4 54	7 6	6 40
Wednesday	30 John Wessel	" 12:31-13:	morn.	♎ 0	Aldebaran rises 12 52	6	4 55	7 5	7 26
Thursday	31 Jno. Cas. Schade	" 14:	12 1	♎ 12	☽ in apo.	6	4 56	7 4	8 7

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	8th,	5 o'clock,	10 min.,	morning.
Last Quarter,	15th,	4 "	38 "	afternoon.
New Moon,	22d,	7 "	54 "	morning
First Quarter,	29th,	5 "	1 "	afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, thunder showers; 2, 3, 4, fair; 5, 6, 7, warm; 8, 9, warmest days; 10, 11, thunder; 12, 13, 14, clear; 15, 16, cloudy; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, clear; 24, cloudy; 25, rain; 26, 27, 28, warm; 29, showers; 30, 31, clear.

(♀.) Venus is Inferior conjunction with the Sun, the 11th. Passes from Evening Star to Morning Star.

BETHANY ORPHANS' HOME.

This institution was founded on September 21, 1863. On this day Rev. Emanuel Boeringer took a poor orphan into his humble dwelling in Southwark, Philadelphia. It was an act of simple faith. Poor in this world's goods, it was all he could do. From this small beginning, in less than twenty years, grew our present Bethany Orphans' Home.

On July 13, 1864, the Home was removed to Bridesburg, Philadelphia, where a building was bought for its use. On October 1, 1867, the Home was removed to Womelsdorf, Pa. On November 11, 1881, its large building here was totally destroyed by fire. During 1882 a new three-story brick building was erected in its place. This contains a chapel and room sufficient to accommodate at least 150 orphans. The new building is lighted with gas, and heated with steam. It was formally opened with appropriate services December 14, 1882. Having now this commodious building, the Board of Managers, desires to fill it with the fatherless, provided the Church will furnish the needed means of support. Contributions can be sent to W. D. Gross, Box 2147, Philadelphia, and to Rev. D. B. Albright, Womelsdorf, Pa. In the wording of bequests to the Home, care should be taken to bequeath to *W. D. Gross, Treasurer of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa.*, for the use of the said Home. A number of legacies intended for the Home have been lost on account of the defective wording of wills.

☞ The resurrection of our Lord fills us with elation, because, as He triumphed over death and the grave, so shall we. They who sleep shall rise again. Beyond the "smiling and weeping" there is laid up for those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ an eternity of bliss with their risen Lord.—*Aunt Marjorie.*

ST. PAUL'S ORPHANS' HOME.

This Home is located in Butler, Pa. Its situation is one of the most beautiful and healthy in the State. It is under the particular care and management of the Pittsburgh Synod of the Reformed Church, and has an existence of seventeen years. It has already done much good in caring for the fatherless, and its present condition is full of rich promise for the future.

Such improvements have lately been made to the building, in the way of adding to and refurnishing, as to make it pleasant and comfortable for the entertainment of at least fifty children. The Home constitutes one family, the Superintendent and his wife occupying the central position. The children gather around these as closely as if they were their natural parents. They are allowed the privileges of the entire house, the little ones mingling with each other as if they were brothers and sisters. The entire government is strictly parental, thus freeing it from the stiff military order that characterizes larger institutions. The number of children enrolled last year was thirty-seven. Its present officers are, W. E. Schmertz, President; T. J. Craig, Secretary; B. Wolff, Jr., Treasurer; Rev. P. E. Prugh, Superintendent; and Etta K. Prugh, Teacher.

☞ A gentleman who had been at a missionary collection was met the next day by a man of opposite habits, who began to chide him with the folly of sending out such sums abroad when there was so much to be done at home. The gentleman calmly replied, "I will give five dollars for our poor at home, if you will do the same." "Oh, I didn't mean that," said the objector; "but if you must go from home, why go so far? Think of the poor in Ireland." "I will give five dollars for the poor in Ireland," said the gentleman, "if you will give the same." "No, I don't mean that either," said he.

AUGUST, *8th Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Friday 1	Maccabees	1 Cor. 15: 1–34	12 47	♍ 25	☿ stationary ♏	6	4 57	7 3	8 49
Saturday 2	Mar. under Nero	" 15:35-16:	1 41	♎ 9	Orion rises 2 32	6	4 58	7 2	9 32
31] *8th Sunday after Trinity.*		Matt. 7: 15–21; Rom. 8: 12–17.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 2 min.*				
Sunday 3	Wm. Thorp	Acts 19: 11-20: 1	2 34	♎ 23	♄ rises 1 34	6	4 59	7 1	10 29
Monday 4	Leonard Küser	2 Cor. 1: 1–22	3 24	♏ 7	Sirius rises 4 31 ♉	6	5 0	7 0	11 25
Tuesday 5	Salzb'g Evang.	" 1: 23–2:	4 14	♏ 22	Altair south 10 41	6	5 1	6 59	12 21
Wednesday 6	Transfiguration	" 3: 4: 1–6	☽ rise	♐ 7	6th. ♁ sets 8 46	6	5 2	6 58	1 17
Thursday 7	Nonna	" 4: 7-5: 10	7 30	♐ 22	☌ ♄ ☉. Spica sets 9 32	6	5 3	6 57	1 59
Friday 8	Hormisdas	" 5: 11-6-7: 1	8 13	♑ 7	7* rises 11 1	5	5 4	6 56	2 42
Saturday 9	Numidicus	" 7: 2	8 48	♑ 22	☿ rises 3 4 Morn. Star	5	5 5	6 55	3 24
32] *9th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 16: 1–9; 1 Cor. 10: 1–13.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 48 min.*				
Sunday 10	Laurentius	2 Cor. 8:	9 15	♒ 7	Wega south 9 14	5	5 6	6 54	4 11
Monday 11	Greg. of Utrecht	" 9:	9 52	♒ 22	Rigel rises 2 4	5	5 7	6 53	4 58
Tuesday 12	An. of Havelb'g	" 10:	10 15	♓ 5	♌ Spica sets 9 14	5	5 8	6 52	5 42
Wednesday 13	C'nt. Zinzendorf	" 11:	10 56	♓ 19	13th. ♄ rises 1 0	5	5 9	6 51	6 38
Thursday 14	James Guthrie	" 12: 1–18	11 39	♈ 2	♁ sets 8 30	5	5 10	6 50	7 32
Friday 15	Ass'n V. Mary	" 12: 19–33	morn	♈ 15	□ Neptune ☉	4	5 11	6 49	8 36
Saturday 16	John of Saxony	Acts 20: 1–13	1 26	♈ 27	☽ in per. ☌ ☽ ♄ ♏	4	5 12	6 48	9 41
33] *10th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 19: 41–47; 1 Cor. 12: 1–11.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 32 min.*				
Sunday 17	John Gerhard	Rom. 1: 1–17	7 18	♉ 9	☌ ☽ ☿. ☿ greatest Brilliancy.	4	5 14	6 46	10 35
Monday 18	Hugo Grotius	" 1: 18–31	3 14	♉ 21	☿ rises 2 20	4	5 15	6 45	11 29
Tuesday 19	Sebaldus	" 2:	4 1	♊ 3	Orion rises 1 23	4	5 16	6 44	12 27
Wednesday 20	Bernard of Clair.	" 3:	☽ sets	♊ 15	20th. ☌ ☽ ♄ ☿ in Aph.	3	5 17	6 43	1 15
Thursday 21	1st Morv. Mission	" 4:	6 54	♊ 27	Sirius rises 3 36	3	5 18	6 42	1 59
Friday 22	Symphorianus	" 5: 1–11	7 16	♋ 8	☌ ☽ ☿. ☿ sets 7 36	3	5 19	6 41	2 42
Saturday 23	Gasp. de Coligne	" 5: 12–21	7 46	♋ 20	☿ gr. Elong. E. ☉ enters ♍	3	5 21	6 39	3 26
34] *11th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 18: 9–14; 1 Cor. 15: 1–11.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 16 min.*				
Sunday 24	St. Bartholomew	Rom. 6:	8 16	♌ 2	☌ ☽ ♁ ♁ sets 8 9	2	5 22	6 38	4 15
Monday 25	Louis IX.	" 7:	8 48	♌ 14	♌. ♄ rises 12 22	2	5 23	6 37	5 5
Tuesday 26	Ulfilas	" 8: 1–15	9 24	♌ 26	Neptune stationary	2	5 24	6 36	5 50
Wednesday 27	Jovinian	" 8: 16–39	10 4	♍ 9	Altair south 9 20	1	5 25	6 35	6 33
Thursday 28	Aug. of Hippo	" 9: 1–13	10 50	♍ 22	28th. ☽ in apo.	1	5 27	6 33	7 19
Friday 29	St. John Baptist	" 9: 14–33	11 42	♎ 5	☿ rises 2 8	1	5 28	6 32	7 59
Saturday 30	Claud. of Turin	" 10:	morn.	♎ 18	Dog Days End	1	5 29	6 31	8 42
35] *12th Sunday after Trinity.*		Mark 7: 31–37; 2 Cor. 3: 4–11.			*Day's Length, 12 hours, 58 min.*				
Sunday 31	Aidan	Rom. 11:	12 39	♏ 1	Antares sets 10 4 ♉	0	5 31	6 29	9 30

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	6th,	5 o'clock,	6 min.,	afternoon.
Last Quarter,	13th,	10 "	8 "	evening.
New Moon,	20th,	4 "	54 "	afternoon.
First Quarter,	28th,	10 "	41 "	forenoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, cloudy; 6, 7, rain; 8, 9, 10, clear; 11, 12, variable; 13, 14, 15, showers; 16, 17, clear; 18, 19, 20, v.arm; 21, cloudy; 22, 23, thunder showers; 24. 25, 26, fair; 27, 28, cloudy; 29, 30, 31, clear.

(☽) Jupiter is in conjunction with the Sun the 7th, and cannot be seen.

CATECHIZATION.

The children should attend catechetical lectures. Some of them will go willingly and of their own accord, but others must be sent or taken by parental authority. It is the duty of parents to see that the children attend these services. They are not fulfiling their solemn obligations if they do not; for when their children were baptized, in each and every case they promised to "bring this child, at the proper time, to the minister, to be instructed in the catechism, and prepared for Confirmation and the Holy Communion." This means what it says, viz: that *the parent is to bring the child to the minister*—not to *let him come if he wants to*, which is the interpretation too commonly put upon this solemn promise by careless and negligent parents. Parents in the Reformed Church, are you fulfiling the vows you solemnly made at the Lord's altar when you had your little ones baptized?

NEGATIVE CHRISTIANS.

Some Christians one meets are so negative in character that they remind one of the hotel boarder who said to his landlady at breakfast, "Madam, if this is coffee, I would thank you for a cup of tea; and if it is tea, I would thank you for a cup of coffee." Such persons have not force of character enough to enable them to shake hands decently. "What can you do?" asked a pastor of a member who wanted to be made an elder. "Can you lead the prayer-meeting?" No: he said he couldn't do that. "Well, then, can you superintend the Sunday-school?" He didn't think he could. "Could you visit the sick?" asked the pastor. No: that was not at all in his line. "Well, then," said the minister, "what *could* you do?" "Well," said the man, "if I were elected an elder, and were sent as a delegate to a Classis or Synod, I think, if it were needed, *I could raise an objection!*"

PREPARATORY SERVICES.

These are very important and should not be neglected by any one who expects to receive the Holy Communion with proper comfort and benefit to his soul. It is to be feared that many in our church are seldom seen at these services. This is not as it should be, surely. Even the Jews of our Lord's time were not guilty of such neglect. They were remarkable for the care with which they prepared for all their religious services. Even for the Sabbath-day there was some preparation, and much more for the Passover, instead of which the Lord's Supper has been instituted. May we not learn a lesson from them?

☞Wicked men stumble at a straw in the way to heaven—and climb over great mountains in their way to destruction.

Stand Up for Your Own Denomination!

The State senators were, some years ago, entitled to a certain number of postage stamps annually, which they were to receive of the clerk. On one occasion, when the senators were summoned before the clerk to receive their stamps, a certain member from the rural regions being asked of "what denomination he would have them?" quickly answered, "*German Reformed!*" Stand up for your own denomination. There's nothing like it!

☞Be short.—Long visits, long stories, long essays, long exhortations and long prayers seldom profit those who have to do with them. Life is short. Time is short. Moments are precious. Learn to condense, abridge and intensify.

SEPTEMBER, *9th Month, 30 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.		Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	m.	Moon's Place. s.	a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	m.	Sun Sets. h.	m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h.	m.
Monday	1	Hanna	Rom. 12:	1	32	♌	16	♀ rises 2 4 ☋	0	5	32	6	28	10	15
Tuesday	2	Mamas	" 13:	2	29	♋	1	♄ sets 7 59	0	5	33	6	27	10	58
Wednesday	3	Hildegarde	" 14:	3	18	♋	16	♄ rises 11 54	1	2	35	6	25	11	42
Thursday	4	Ida	" 15: 1–13	4	10	♌	1	☿ stationary	1	5	36	6	24	12	24
Friday	5	John Mollio	" 15: 14–33	☽ rise		♌	16	5th. Sirius r'ses 2 31	1	5	37	6	23	1	20
Saturday	6	Martin Weibel	" 16:	7	4	♍	1	Spica rises 7 34	2	5	39	6	21	2	3

36] 13*th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 10: 23–27; Gal. 3: 16–22. *Day's Length,* 12 *hours,* 40 *min.*

Sunday	7	Laz. Spengler	Acts 20:	7	41	♍	16	♂. Orion rises 11 54	2	5	40	6	20	2	47
Monday	8	Corbinian	" 21:	8	20	♎	0	Rigel rises 11 44	2	5	41	6	19	3	25
Tuesday	9	Lorigi Paschall	" 22–23:	8	59	♎	14	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	3	5	43	6	17	4	14
Wednesday	10	Paul Separatus	" 24–25:	9	40	♎	28	☽ in per. Altair south 10 30	3	5	44	6	16	4	57
Thursday	11	John Brenz	" 26:	10	27	♏	11	♀ rises 2 14	3	5	45	6	15	5	42
Friday	12	Diony's Peloq'n	" 27:	11	11	♏	23	12th. ♂ ☽ ♄	4	5	47	6	13	6	26
Saturday	13	Wm. Farel	" 28:	morn.		♐	6	♁ sets 7 49	4	5	48	6	12	7	19

37] 14*th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 17: 11–19; Gal. 5: 16–24. *Day's Length,* 12 *hours,* 22 *min.*

Sunday	14	Cyprian	Eph. 1: 1–14	12	10	♐	18	♄ rises 11 8	4	5	49	6	11	8	20
Monday	15	Ar. v. Grumb'h	" 1: 15–2: 1–10	1	26	♐	0	♂ ☽ ♀. □ ♄ ☉	5	5	50	6	10	9	35
Tuesday	16	Euphemia	" 2: 11–3:	2	37	♐	12	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ rises 2 39	5	5	52	6	8	10	41
Wednesday	17	*Emberday*	" 4: 1–17	3	40	♐	24	7* rises 8 36	5	5	53	6	7	11	37
Thursday	18	A. G. Spangenb'g	" 4: 18	4	14	♑	6	♀ rises 2 16	6	5	54	6	6	12	33
Friday	19	Thos. of St. Paul	" 5: 6: 7–9	☽ sets		♑	18	19th. ♂ ♓. ♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior	6	5	56	6	4	1	30
Saturday	20	Magdal. Luther	" 6: 10	6	34	♑	0	♂ ♐ ☉. ♌	6	5	57	6	3	2	10

38] 15*th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 6: 24–34; Gal. 5: 25; 6: 10. *Day's Length,* 12 *hours,* 2 *min.*

Sunday	21	Matthew	Colos. 1:	7	9	♑	12	♀ gr. Elong. West	7	5	59	6	1	2	49
Monday	22	Mauritius	" 2: 3: 1–4	7	45	♑	24	♂ ☽ ♄. ☉ enters ♎ Day and Night equal.	7	6	0	6	0	3	30
Tuesday	23	Mart. of Genoa	" 3: 5–11	8	18	♒	6	Autumn commences	8	6	2	5	58	4	20
Wednesday	24	Jno. Jacob Moser	Philemon	8	59	♒	18	♄ sets 7 34	8	6	3	5	57	4	59
Thursday	25	Augsb'g Treaty	Philip. 1: 1–26	9	49	♓	1	☽ in apo. ♄ rises 10 34	8	6	4	5	56	5	42
Friday	26	Lioba	" 1: 27–2:	10	44	♓	14	♀ rises 2 18	9	6	5	5	55	6	26
Saturday	27	Phil. Graveron	" 3–4:	11	42	♓	27	27th. ☿ stationary ☋	9	6	6	5	54	7	9

39] 16*th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 7: 11–17; Eph. 3: 13–21. *Day's Length,* 11 *hours,* 46 *min.*

Sunday	28	A. Clarenbach	1 Tim. 1:	morn		♈	11	Wega south 6 10	9	6	7	5	53	7	48
Monday	29	St. Michael	" 2:	12	45	♈	25	Sirius rises 1 14	10	6	8	5	52	8	30
Tuesday	30	Jerome	" 3:	1	50	♉	10	Orion rises 2 54	10	6	10	5	50	9	14

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon, 5th, 5 o'clock, 55 min., morning.
Last Quarter 12th, 3 " 16 " morning.
New Moon, 19th, 4 " 37 " morning.
First Quarter 27th, 5 " 20 " morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, cloudy; 3, thunder showers; 4, 5, 6, clear; 7, 8, 9, variable; 10, 11, 12, fair; 13, 14, thunder; 15, 16, 17, clear; 18, 19, variable, 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, clear; 24, 25, 26, fair; 27, 28, cloudy; 29, 30, fair.

REV. J. P. MOORE.

MRS. ANNIE M. MOORE.

OUR NEW MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN.

THE Board of Foreign Missions feeling the necessity of having a co-laborer with our present Missionary Gring, in Japan, resolved, in March last, after prayerful consideration, to appoint Rev. J. P. Moore to that position. The call was accepted, and September 4th, 1883, he left San Francisco, with his wife, for Tokio, Japan, arriving there in due time. With the laborers thus increased, it is to be hoped the Church will increase its contributions to this worthy cause, so that these brethren may be encouraged in their great work. This they will be if they see those at home do their full share, and that freely and willingly, towards it. Two missionaries and their families are not too many for our Church to maintain in the foreign field.

GIVE THEM WORK TO DO.

I WAS standing one day in a mill, on the ground floor, talking with the miller. All of a sudden he sprang up the stairs and ran as rapidly as he could to one of the upper stories, leaving me to wonder what was the matter. In a few minutes he returned, saying, with a smile, "I don't want to burn my burrs. I am so used to this mill that my ear tells me the moment any one of my hoppers has run dry. While we were talking here, I heard the warning noise, and if I hadn't run up at once and turned some grain on the burrs, they would soon have fallen to grinding themselves, and perhaps would have set my mill on fire."

This, thought I, is just like a congregation. The people are the burrs, and Christian work is the grain. Give congregations work to do, and all goes on smoothly and well. Let them have nothing to do either for themselves or for Church operations at large, as Home and Foreign Missions, Orphans' Home, and so on, and the members at once fall to work tearing one another to pieces. As it is still, not running, water that freezes the quickest, and as it is an idle brain that is the devil's workshop, so is it an inactive congregation which is always in danger of a conflagration. Let church officers, elders and deacons devise some good work for the people to do, and there will be no noise coming from the empty hoppers.

OCTOBER, *10th Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Wednesday	1 Remigius	1 Tim. 3: 14-4: 10	2 49	♌ 25	♀ rises 2 25 ☋	10	6 11	5 49	10 18
Thursday	2 Chr. Schmid	" 4: 11-5; 16	3 52	♌ 9	♄ sets 7 24	11	6 12	5 48	11 16
Friday	3 The 2 Ewaldes	" 5: 17	4 56	♍ 24	☿ in Periheli n	11	6 13	5 47	12 16
Saturday	4 Franciscus	" 6:	☽ rise	♎ 9	4th. ☿ gr. Elong. West ☽ Eclipse visible.	11	6 15	5 45	1 15

40] 17*th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 14: 1–11; Eph. 4: 1–6. *Day's Length,* 11 *hours,* 28 *min.*

Sunday	5 Petro Carnesec.	Titus 1:	6 17	♎ 21	♄ stationary. ☿ rises 5 30	11	6 16	5 44	1 59
Monday	6 Henry Albert	" 2:	6 59	♏ 8	♂ ☿ ♃. ♂.	12	6 17	5 43	2 44
Tuesday	7 Theodore Beza	" 3:	7 43	♏ 22	☽ in per. 7* rises 7 21	12	6 19	5 41	3 27
Wednesday	8 Robt. of Lincoln	2 Tim. 1:	8 46	♐ 6	Sirius rises 12 40	12	6 20	5 40	4 10
Thursday	9 Dionysius Aro.	" 2:	9 43	♐ 19	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 9 30	13	6 21	5 39	4 56
Friday	10 Justus Jonas	" 3:	10 35	♑ 2	Altair south 6 41 ♒	13	6 22	5 38	5 41
Saturday	11 Ulrich Zwingli	" 4:	11 10	♑ 14	11th. Orion rises 10 13	13	6 24	5 36	6 30

41] 18*th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 22: 34–46; 1 Cor. 1: 4–9. *Day's Length,* 11 *hours,* 10 *min.*

Sunday	12 Henry Bullinger	Heb. 1:	morn.	♑ 26	♄ sets 7 11	13	6 27	5 35	7 32
Monday	13 Elizabeth Fry	" 2:	12 16	♒ 8	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	14	6 26	5 34	8 35
Tuesday	14 Nich. Ridley	" 3–4:	1 36	♒ 20	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ rises 1 59	14	6 28	5 32	9 40
Wednesday	15 Aurelia	" 5:	2 49	♓ 2	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ rises 2 40	14	6 29	5 31	10 23
Thursday	16 Gallus	" 6:	3 59	♓ 14	Fomal south 9 26	14	6 30	5 30	11 20
Friday	17 Rev. Edi. of Nan.	" 7:	5 19	♓ 26	♂ ☽ ☿. Arctur sets 7 58	14	6 31	5 29	12 18
Saturday	18 *St. Luke Ev.*	" 8:	☽ sets	♈ 8	18th. ♄ rises 8 0	15	6 32	5 28	1 14

42] 19*th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 9: 1–8; Eph. 9: 17–32. *Day's Length,* 10 *hours,* 52 *min.*

Sunday	19 Bruno	Heb. 9: 1–14	6 12	♈ 20	♌ Antares sets 7 10	15	6 34	5 26	1 58
Monday	20 F. Lamb't of Avi.	" 9: 15	6 50	♈ 2	Marcule south 9 22	15	6 35	5 25	2 43
Tuesday	21 Hilarion	" 10: 1–18	7 30	♉ 15	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 7 0	15	6 36	5 24	3 28
Wednesday	22 Hedwick	" 10: 19–39	8 40	♉ 28	♀ rises 2 59	15	6 38	5 22	4 10
Thursday	23 Henry Martin	" 11:	9 35	♊ 11	☽ in apo.	16	6 39	5 21	4 52
Friday	24 Arethas	" 12:	10 37	♊ 24	☉ enters ♏ ☋	16	6 40	5 20	5 32
Saturday	25 John Herz	" 13:	11 43	♋ 8	♃ rises 1 29	16	6 41	5 19	6 22

43] 20*th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 22: 1—14: Eph. 5: 15–21. *Day's Length,* 10 *hours,* 36 *min.*

Sunday	26 Frederick III	Prov. 1: 2:	morn.	♋ 22	26th. Sirius rises 11 12	16	6 42	5 18	6 59
Monday	27 Frumentius	" 3:	12 51	♌ 6	♄ rises 7 33	16	6 43	5 17	7 41
Tuesday	28 Simon and Jude	" 4:	1 54	♌ 20	Orion rises 9 10	16	6 45	5 15	8 28
Wednesday	29 Alfred the Great	" 5: 6: 1–19	2 49	♍ 4	♀ rises 3 10	16	6 46	2 14	9 14
Thursday	30 Jacob Sturm	" 6: 20–7:	3 39	♍ 19	Altair sets 11 54	16	6 47	5 13	9 58
Friday	31 Fest. of Reform'n	" 8:	4 25	♎ 4	Procyon rises 10 56	16	6 48	5 12	10 43

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	4th,	5 o'clock,	0 min.,	evening.
Last Quarter,	11th,	9 "	29 "	forenoon.
New Moon,	18th,	7 "	31 "	evening.
First Quarter,	26th,	11 "	54 "	evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, cloudy; 3, 4, rain; 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, 9, clear; 10, 11, 12, fair; 13, 14, 15, cloudy; 16, 17, rain; 18, 19, 20, clear; 21, 22, windy; 23, 24, 25, variable; 26, 27, rain; 28, 29, clear; 30, 31, fair.

More Ministers Wanted.

THE Church everywhere is calling for more ministers. In our own denomination about twenty-five ministers died during the past year, or were disabled from some cause or other. To take the place of these laborers in the vineyard, only about fifteen young men graduated from all our theological seminaries. There are many vacancies in the old settled parts of the Church, while many new fields in the West and South are calling loudly for missionaries. Let our pastors and parents bring this matter to the attention of the boys. A few seasonable and encouraging words, spoken earnestly and prayerfully to the boy during his early years, may make such an impression on him as to turn him from a life of money-making to a life of soul-saving. Choose your brightest and most promising son for this work. Do not imagine that because a boy is thin, pale, holllow-chested, dyspeptic and inclined to mope about the house, he is therefore especially adapted to the office of the ministry. Choose that one of your sons who is deepest-chested, strongest-limbed and toughest in his moral nature. The long course of study he must pass through, and the peculiar strain of the active work of the ministry, will require the finest fiber of body and soul. Give your strongest, brightest, best boy to the Lord's service. He should be, above all, a pious boy. His theological education should begin at his mother's knee. Fathers and mothers in the Reformed Church! Will you consecrate your sons to the service of the Lord's house? Will you, like Hannah of old, lend your brightest and best boy to the Lord "so long as he liveth?" He will have hardships to endure, but a crown of glory will await him that fadeth not away.

"He builds too low
Who builds below the skies."

DANCING.

"Attending places of vain and fashionable amusement tends to stifle all serious reflection, cherishes a vain and airy temper, and promotes an idle and dissolute life. It tends to make young people forget that they are sinners and must die and come to judgment. It tends to make them neglect reading, meditation and secret prayer. It tends to make them deaf to the inward warnings of God's spirit, the checks of their consciences, the outward calls of the gospel, and the counsels of their ministers and spiritual friends."—*Dr. Bellamy.*

☞ As the church prospers in its work of benevolence, its urgent effort should be to maintain its spirituality and that devotion of heart to the Lord which is commended in the scriptures. It is this that gives it its real strength. If all the resources of the kingdom, as they are now realized, are wielded by those who are fully consecrated to the Master, the good results must far exceed any that the world has ever seen.

NOVEMBER, *11th Month, 30 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun Sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Saturday	1 All Saints	Prov. 9:	5 10	18	♂ ♀ rises 3 15 ☋	16	6 50	5 10	11 36
44] 21*st Sunday after Trinity.* John 4: 46-54; Eph. 6: 10-20. *Day's Length,* 10 *hours,* 18 *min.*									
Sunday	2 Victorinus	Prov. 10-11:	5 56	2	♂ sets 6 50	16	6 51	5 9	12 32
Monday	3 Pirminus	" 12-13:	☽ rise	16	3d. Orion sets 8 48	16	6 52	5 8	1 27
Tuesday	4 John A. Bengel	" 14-15:	6 22	0	☽ in per ♂ ☿ ☉ Superior	16	6 53	5 7	2 12
Wednesday	5 Hans Egede	" 16-17:	7 35	13	♂ ☽ ♄ . ♃ rises 12 58	16	6 54	5 6	2 55
Thursday	6 Gustav Adolph's	" 18-19:	8 40	26	♄ rises 7 9 ♏	16	6 56	5 4	3 39
Friday	7 Willibrord	" 20-21-22: 1-16	9 46	9	Marcab south 8 14	16	6 57	5 3	4 24
Saturday	8 Wilehad	" 22: 17-23-24	10 52	21	♀ rises 3 25	16	6 58	5 2	5 10
45] 22*d Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 18: 26-35; Phil. 1: 3-11. *Day's Length,* 10 *hours,* 2 *min.*									
Sunday	9 John v. Staupitz	Prov. 25-26:	11 55	3	9th. Sirius rises 10 31	16	6 59	5 1	5 52
Monday	10 Martin Luther	" 27:	morn.	15	♄ sets 6 41	16	7 0	5 0	6 39
Tuesday	11 Martin of Tours	" 28-29:	12 40	27	♂ ☽ ♃ . ♃ rises 12 44	16	7 1	4 59	7 24
Wednesday	12 Phil. de Mornay	" 30-31:	1 29	8	Andromeda south 8 48	16	7 2	4 58	8 12
Thursday	13 Arcadius	Song of Sol. 1-2-3:	2 22	20	☿ Neptune ☉ ♀ in Perihelion	16	7 3	4 57	8 56
Friday	14 Pet. Mart. Vera	" 4-5:	3 29	2	♂ ☽ ♀ . ♀ rises 3 40	15	7 4	4 56	9 40
Saturday	15 John Kepler	" 6-7-8:	4 29	14	♌ . ♄ rises 6 52	15	7 5	4 55	10 49
46] 23*d Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 22: 15-22; Phil. 3: 17-21. *Day's Length,* 9 *hours,* 48 *min.*									
Sunday	16 Casp. Creuziger	Eccl. 1-2:	5 37	27	☿ in Aphelion	15	7 6	4 54	11 59
Monday	17 Bernward	" 3-4-5-6: 1-9	☽ sets	10	17th. ♄ sets 6 30	15	7 7	4 53	1 10
Tuesday	18 Greg. Illuminat.	" 6: 10-7-8: 1-15	5 51	23	♂ ☽ ☿ . 7* south 12 8	15	7 8	4 52	1 54
Wednesday	19 Elizab of Hesse	" 8: 16-9-10-11-12:	6 42	6	☽ in apo. ♂ ☽ ♄	14	7 9	4 51	2 40
Thursday	20 John Williams	Esther 1-2-3-4:	7 42	20	♃ rises 12 12	14	7 10	4 50	3 25
Friday	21 Columbanus	" 5-6-7-8-9 10:	8 50	4	Fomal south 6 1 ☋	14	7 11	4 49	4 14
Saturday	22 J Oecolampadius	Psalm 103:	9 51	18	♀ rises 3 51	14	7 12	4 48	4 58
47] 24*th Sunday after Trinity.* Matt. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-14. *Day's Length,* 9 *hours,* 36 *min.*									
Sunday	23 Clemens Roman	Mal. 1-2: 1-16	10 40	2	☉ enters ♄	13	7 12	4 48	5 41
Monday	24 John Knox	" 2: 17-3-4	11 29	17	♄ rises 6 31	13	7 13	4 47	6 29
Tuesday	25 Catharine	Dan. 1-2:	morn.	0	25th. Rigel rises 7 31	13	7 14	4 46	7 12
Wednesday	26 Conrad	" 3-4:	12 8	14	□ ♃ ☉	13	7 15	4 45	7 56
Thursday	27 Marg't Blaurer	" 5-6:	1 16	29	♃ rises 11 38	12	7 16	4 44	8 42
Friday	28 Alex. Roussel	" 7-8-9:	2 22	14	Sirius rises 9 28	12	7 17	4 43	9 30
Saturday	29 Saturinus	" 10-11-12:	3 29	27	♌ . ♀ rises 3 58	12	7 17	4 43	10 31
48] 1*st Sunday in Advent.* Matt. 21: 8-11; Rom. 13: 11-14. *Day's Length,* 9 *hours,* 24 *min.*									
Sunday	30 St. Andrew	Gen. 1-2:	4 34	11	Wega sets 10 52	11	7 18	4 42	11 44

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	3d,	3	o'clock,	36	min., morning.
Last Quarter	9th,	6	"	12	" evening.
New Moon,	17th,	1	"	11	" afternoon.
First Quarter	25th,	5	"	15	" evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, variable; 4, 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, rain; 9, 10, 11, clear; 12, 13, cloudy, rainy; 14, 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, 19, variable; 20, 21, cloudy; 22, 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, 27, cloudy, snow; 28, 29, clear, cold; 30, variable.

FAMILY WORSHIP.

PERHAPS nothing begins or ends the the day better than gathering around the family altar morning and evening and reading the scriptures and engaging in prayer, led by the father, the priest of the household. And, on the other hand, nothing is more neglected on the part of Christian families than this part of their duty. The busy cares of the world altogether shut it out, together with a want of exercise of the gift of prayer. Should this latter prevent any one, let him procure some good book on Family Prayers, and use them, rather than omit this Christian duty.

ADVENT.

ADVENT is the season of preparation for the Feast of the Nativity, to which it holds the like relation as does Lent to Easter. The word *Advent* means "a coming to" a person or place, and differs from an *event*, which means "a coming out of." As our Lord came to this world from above and beyond it, and did not come out of it, and as His second coming will be of a similar nature, so these His comings *to* the world are appropriately called His Advents.

The season of Advent should be to the devout believer, one of solemnity and awe, yet at the same time, one of profound gladness and joy. Our Lord's first Advent was a joyful time for men and angels; and we are told that when the signs of His second coming shall appear, then we are to lift up our heads and be glad, "for your redemption draweth nigh." When a king has been absent in a far country, and it is known that on a certain day he will return, will not his people be glad? Should not believers rejoice that Christ "shall come again to judge the quick and dead?"

☞ IF our religion is good for one day in the week, it is good for all seven; if it enters into any part of our lives, it ought as well to enter every part of them; if it helps the dying, it will help the living; if it is a good thing in the pew, it is worth just as much in the counting-room, the law office and the legislature; if it has any uplifting, ennobling, purifying influences, we cannot afford to be without it at any time or place.

☞ The Arabs have a proverb which says that there are but two creatures which can reach the top of the great pyramid—the eagle and—the snail.

He Painted the Church Steeple.

SOME years ago, a certain man, whom, for the sake of distinction we will call Mr. Turpentine, moved with his family into Blanktown and connected with the Reformed Church at that place. Some time after his reception, the wood-work of the church building, particularly of the church steeple, was found to be in need of painting. As Mr. Turpentine was a house-painter by trade, the job was kindly given to him. About six months after the work was done and paid for, Mr. Turpentine and his family, without giving any reasons therefor, withdrew their certificates and joined the Presbyterian Church of the town. It was noticed that the Presbyterian church steeple was somewhat shabby in appearance about that time, and one or two keen observers predicted that it wouldn't be six months before Mr. Turpentine would be painting that church steeple. Their predictions came true. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Turpentine was busy at the Presbyterian church steeple.

A removal to the Methodist Church next followed. The Methodist church steeple was, in due time, added to the list of Mr. Turpentine's professional achievements. As there were no other church steeples in Blanktown just then in need of repairs, Mr. Turpentine and family removed to another town, where the same business success awaited them; and, from recent information, we learn that, though growing old now and somewhat stiff in the joints, Mr. Turpentine still continues the good and godly work of painting church steeples.

Mr. Turpentine, it is to be feared, is only one of a large class of so-called Christians who make the Church of Christ a means to an end, and connect with it, not so much from a sense of duty as for the sake of dollars. It is, no doubt, all well enough for members of the church to patronize one another in secular matters, but when this is the *object* of church membership, the end for which people connect with or remain in the Church, it is sacrilege. Pray, be not a Mr. Turpentine in your church. Beware of wanting to paint the church steeple.

☞ OUR love for God is not so much to be emphasized as God's love for us. Said a newly converted man to a steady-going elder of the Reformed Church, "Ah, brother, how I love Jesus!" "Yes," answered the elder, "that is good. But I put it the other way—Oh how Jesus loves me!" *"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."*

DECEMBER, *12th Month, 31 Days.* 1884.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Monday	1 Eligius	Gen. 2: 4–25	5 40	♑ 24	☽ ☿ rises 4 3 ☋	11	7 19	4 41	12 24
Tuesday	2 John Ruysbruck	Matt. 19: 1–12	☽ rise	♒ 7	2d. ☽ in per.	10	7 19	4 41	1 16
Wednesday	3 Gerhard Groot	Eph. 5: 22–33	5 48	♒ 20	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 5 36	10	7 20	4 40	1 58
Thursday	4 Gerh. v. Zütphen	1 Cor. 7:	6 40	♓ 3	Regulus rises 4 16 ♌	10	7 20	4 40	2 41
Friday	5 Crispin	Gen. 3:	7 37	♓ 16	♂ ☿ ♉ ☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	9	7 21	4 39	3 22
Saturday	6 Nicholas	Gen. 8: 15-9: 17	8 33	♓ 29	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	9	7 21	4 39	4 20

49] *2d Sunday in Advent.* Luke 21: 25–33: Rom. 15: 4–13. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 16 min.*

Sunday	7 Paulus Odontius	Acts 17: 15–34	9 32	♈ 11	☿ rises 4 12	8	7 22	4 38	5 11
Monday	8 Mart. Rinkard	Gen. 15:	10 28	♈ 23	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ rises 10 51	8	7 22	4 38	5 57
Tuesday	9 Benj. Schmolk	Deut. 5:	11 25	♉ 5	9th. Orion rises 6 18	7	7 23	4 37	6 43
Wednesday	10 Paul Eber	Exodus 12:	morn.	♉ 17	♄ south 12 0	7	7 23	4 37	7 31
Thursday	11 Hen. v. Zütphen	Deut. 27:	12 24	♉ 29	Sirius rises 8 22	6	7 23	4 37	8 30
Friday	12 Vicelin	Rom. 7:	1 26	♊ 11	♂ ♄ ☉. 7* south 7 20	6	7 24	4 36	9 28
Saturday	13 Odilia	Lev. 16:	2 38	♊ 23	☊. Arietis south 8 36	5	7 24	4 36	10 26

50] *3d Sunday in Advent.* Matt. 11: 2–10; 1 Cor. 4: 1–5. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.*

Sunday	14 Dioscorus	Isa. 40; John 5:	3 58	♋ 5	♂ ☽ ☿. ☿ rises 4 24	5	7 25	4 35	11 24
Monday	15 Christiana	1 Pet. 1: 3–12	4 57	♋ 18	Rigel south 11 37	4	7 25	4 35	12 22
Tuesday	16 Adelheid	2 Sam. 7:	5 59	♋ 1	☽ in apo.	4	7 25	4 35	1 21
Wednesday	17 *Emberday*	Joel 3:	☽ sets	♋ 15	17th. ☿ gr. Elong. East.	3	7 25	4 35	1 59
Thursday	18 Louis v. Seckendorf	Jeremiah 23:	5 40	♋ 29	♂ ☽ ♉. ☿ sets 5 20 ☋	3	7 25	4 35	2 41
Friday	19 Clemens Alexandrinus	" 31:	6 42	♌ 13	♂ ☽ ☿. ♄ south 11 35	2	7 25	4 35	3 20
Saturday	20 Abraham	Isa. 52: 13–53	7 43	♌ 28	♃ rises 10 10	2	7 25	4 35	3 56

51] *4th Sunday in Advent.* John 1: 19–34; Phil. 4: 4–7. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 8 min.*

Sunday	21 Thomas	John 3: 23–36	8 43	♍ 12	☉ enters ♍ Shortest Da.	1	7 26	4 34	4 20
Monday	22 Hugh McKail	Isaiah 42:	9 44	♍ 27	☊ ☓ ☉ Winter commences	1	7 25	4 35	4 59
Tuesday	23 Anna du Bourg	" 49:	10 45	♎ 11	☿ rises 4 48	1	7 25	4 35	5 41
Wednesday	24 Adam and Eve	" 55:	11 49	♎ 25	Regulus rises 9 1	Sun	7 25	4 35	6 25
Thursday	25 *Christmas*	" 9: 2-7; Heb. 1;	morn.	♎ 9	25th. ☿ stationary	sl'w	7 25	4 35	7 15
Friday	26 Stephen	Acts 6: 8–7: 60	12 58	♎ 23	Wega sets 8 54 ♍	1	7 25	4 35	7 58
Saturday	27 St. John Evang.	John 21: 19–24	1 44	♏ 7	Sirius rises 7 30	1	7 25	4 35	8 42

52] *Sunday after Christmas.* Matt. 1: 18–25; Gal. 4: 1–7. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.*

Sunday	28 Innocents	Matt. 2: 13–18	2 49	♏ 20	♃ rises 9 41	2	7 25	4 35	9 45
Monday	29 David	Rom. 8:	3 56	♐ 3	♄ south 11 2	2	7 24	4 36	10 10
Tuesday	30 Christian of Wurtemberg	1 Cor. 8: 1–16	5 4	♐ 16	☿ in Perihelion ♂ ☽ ♄	3	7 24	4 36	11 55
Wednesday	31 John Wicliff	Psalm 90:	6 12	♐ 28	☽ in per. ☉ in Perigee	3	7 24	4 36	12 59

MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon,	2d,	1 o'clock, 59 min.,	afternoon.
Last Quarter,	9th,	6 " 30 "	morning.
New Moon,	17th,	8 " 24 "	morning.
First Quarter,	25th,	8 " 21 "	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, mild; 3, 4, cloudy, snow; 5, 6, moderate; 7, 8, variable; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, clear, cold; 14, 15, cloudy; 16, 17, 18, rain; 19, 20, 21, clear, cold; 22, 23, variable; 24, 25, snow; 26, 27, 28, clear; 29, 30, 31, cold.

(♄.) Saturn is in opposition with the Sun the 12th, and shines all night.

CHRISTMAS.

May this be to all our readers an Holy-day indeed, full of sweet and comforting thoughts of the great love wherewith God hath loved us all, in that He "so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have everlasting life."

Give gifts to your friends and acquaintances, but forget not to give your heart, with renewed consecration, to God, who of all friends, is the greatest and best. As He gave Himself to you, in His dear Son, so also do you give yourself to Him in all that you have and are.

Remember the poor. Forget not the widow in her loneliness, the orphan in his need, the stranger who is afar from home. Open your heart in kindness to all men, and in faith and love toward God. Let not your heart be so full of worldly affections that, like the inn which of old turned Him aside, there is no room for Him who seeks this day to be born anew in you the Hope of Eternal Glory.

CHRISTMAS.

"*No room for them in the inn.*"

IS even so; on this Thy birthday, Lord,
No room for Thee!
No room by blazing hearth and laden board,
No place for Thee!
No room where costly gifts of love are stored,
No gifts for Thee!
No room where fond heart-treasures are outpoured,
No love for Thee!
Forgotten when thou should'st be most adored,
Long-suffering, slighted Lord!

No room for Thee, O Jesus, in the inn
Of this world's mirth!
E'en as of yore Thy blessed head could win
No home on earth!
Ah, yes,—a lowly stable took Thee in,
Lord, at Thy birth;
And in the broken heart, the cheerless home,
For Thee there's room.

Come in, Thou holy Child, and rest Thy head
In manger low!
There shines a light around that humble bed
Earth cannot show!
Not wealth can buy the peace around it shed,
Not love bestow!
Though poor and desolate, if Thou wilt come—
Lord, here is room!

BENEVOLENCE.

The utmost limit of benevolence is attained by absolute self-sacrifice. "They gave themselves," expresses more than if they had possessed millions of wealth, and had given that, and spared themselves. To give one's self, first in service, and after that in death to advance a noble cause, as Christ gave Himself, first in service and last in sacrifice, for the world's redemption, is the very maximum of benevolence.

☞ It is not by selecting detached passages of scripture and making them the rule of our lives that we follow the mind of Christ, but by taking them as a whole, seeking to get from them the spirit of the gospel and adapting them thus to our wants of heart and efforts.

THE END OF THE YEAR.

The mistakes of the past cannot be amended, nor its sins undone. Profit by the experience of the former, repent heartily of the latter. As the mill cannot grind with the water which has passed the wheel, so it is idle to repine over opportunities which will never come to you again. Repent, and God will forgive. "*Forgetting the things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those which are before, let us press toward the mark for the prize of our high calling of God in Christ Jesus.*"

MISSIONS IN THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

Dr. F. W. Krummacher, of Germany, calls the Reformed Church "the Church of the Word," and "a missionary Church." Its thousands of martyrs who have laid down their lives for the Gospel, entitle it to the first distinction, and its heralds of the Cross, proclaiming salvation on the great Continents and in the Isles of the sea, prove its right to the second. With the Bible and the Heidelberg Catechism, its Confession of Faith, it goes forth well equipped to preach Christ crucified to the nations of the earth.

The general warrant for the Work of Missions is found in the Saviour's words: "All power is given unto Me in "heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all "nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and "of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to "observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: "and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of "the world."

I.—THE FIELD.

The work of Home Missions in the Reformed Church finds its proper field in the States and Territories of the Union, though there are a few Reformed congregations in Canada under the care of our Board. The entire country is open ground to us—so vast and but so partially occupied. Of the 455,844 emigrants who last year landed in New York alone, there were more than 230,000 Germans. It is probable that 70,000 of these are members of the Reformed Church. These need the Church, the Word and Sacraments for themselves and their children. While many may be rationalists, thousands are sincere Christians and properly expect that the Church that bade them farewell in the Old World should bid them welcome in the New. Have we no duty to perform towards these our brethren? In the far West especially many promising points in town and country are waiting for us, and should be occupied without delay, congregations organized and our borders extended, thus serving the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom by providing for His destitute children in this ever-widening field. In New York, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, and all over the South and West the Lord is showing us where to work and what to do.

The Reformed Church in this country is the child of Missions. In Colonial times already thousands of our ancestors—the Pilgrim Fathers of the Reformed Church—from various parts of Europe settled along the Atlantic seaboard from Massachusetts to the Carolinas. Several thousands of Reformed persons had settled in Pennsylvania as early as 1730. Their spiritual Mother was not forgetful of them. True, they had brought with them their bibles, hymn-books, prayer-books and catechisms, but in rare cases only were they accompanied by pastors to go before them in these Western wilds. Then God put it into the hearts of our Swiss, Holland and Palatinate fathers not only to send missionaries to America and money for their support, but also to aid them in the erection of churches and parochial school-houses.

II.—HISTORY.

Home Missions.—The Minutes of Coetus and Synod from the year 1746 to 1882 lie before us, but we lack space for full details of the Mission work recorded there. Let the following general synopsis suffice. During the first half century after the organization of Coetus (Synod) the mission work was done mainly in the way of extending the regular pastors' care to as many new points as they could possibly serve. And where ministers and money were both so very scarce, the former proved more acceptable to the infant churches than the latter. When they could no longer be at all places as often as necessary, more men were enlisted in the service and at first partly supported by the older churches. The Board of Home Missions was organized in Frederick City, Md., in the year 1824. All persons had not then a proper conception of organized charities, and in 1829, we read of "prejudices against the missionary society" of Synod. But the work went on, and in 1836, Synod was engaged in "a $1000-missionary scheme." In 1841 the contributions amounted to $153.94; a year later to $650. In 1845 the offerings for Home Missions ran up to $1,517.62. In 1854 the certificate of life membership of the Home Missionary Society was adopted. In 1855 the Board had extended its operations to eight States, and in 1859 to ten. In 1856 the Boards, East and West, united in appointing Rev. W. K. Zieber as General Superintendent of Missions. He rendered efficient service in exploring destitute regions, encouraging our scattered members, organizing congregations and bringing their wants to the attention of the churches. In 1863 the Board had 33 Missions under its care; St. Paul's Classis, five; and some other Classes, one or more. In this year the Reformed Church celebrated the Tercentenary (300th) Anniversary of the formation of the Heidelberg Catechism. The numerous services held and addresses delivered in honor of that event gave a new impulse to the cause of Reformed Missions. The thank-offerings of the people also added materially to the resources of the Board. But the country was in the midst of a great war, and while the draft diminished the membership of the mission churches, the high price of food and clothing caused many missionaries serious discomfort. Another important step was now taken by the Church. The union of the Eastern and Western Mission Boards was consummated in Philadelphia. By this union the missions added to the 52 under the Eastern Board made the whole number 81. In 1866, Rev. L. D. Leberman was appointed General Agent of the Board. He visited the churches in Eastern Pennsylvania and

other parts, awakening new interest in the cause and securing enlarged contributions for it.

In 1871 the officers of the General Synod's Board suggested the organization of a separate Board by the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States auxiliary to theirs, as the other Synods had done. This Synod accordingly appointed its Board with special reference to Southern missions. The following year the General Board transferred all missions within the bounds of the Eastern Synod to the Board of said Synod. But the indebtedness of the General Board consumed nearly all the funds raised for Home Missions during the year, leaving a very small amount for the use of the Eastern Board. This plan, too, made the General Board practically inoperative, inasmuch as each District Synod now carried on its missionary operations in its own way. This state of things did not prove satisfactory to the Church. The result was: the Eastern Synod, the Synod of Pittsburgh and the Synod of the Potomac formed an organic union in 1873 in order to carry forward, under a central management, the Home Missionary work within the bounds of these three Synods. Each of these three co-operating Synods still has its own Board of Missions. The Joint Board of these three Synods elects from their number, four persons, who, with the Superintendent of Missions, make the Executive Council. The three Synods unite in electing a Superintendent of Missions, who has general oversight of the work in the three Synods, and reports annually to each. Term of office, four years. The general Treasurer receives and disburses all funds upon the approval by the Executive Council of warrants countersigned by the Superintendent. This Tri-synodic Union was truly refreshing after the long years of antagonisms and controversies which had agitated the Church. It imparted new vigor to Missions, and this year three times the amount of money of the preceding year was raised. The first Superintendent under this arrangement was Rev. F. K. Levan, in whose hands the work prospered. His term expired in 1877, when he was succeeded by our present efficient Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Theodore Appel. The financial panic began to be felt all over the country during the early years of the Tri-synodic Board, but the Lord established the work of its hands. In California and Oregon we now have flourishing charges, where fifteen years ago our Church was almost unknown.

Foreign Missions.—The Board of Foreign Missions was organized at the Synod held at Lancaster, Pa., in 1838. Its officers then were: *President*, Rev. D. Willers; *Vice-President*, Rev. Elias Heiner; *Cor. Secretary*, Rev. B. C. Wolff; *Rec. Secretary*, Rev. John Cares; *Treasurer*, John J. Mayer. During the first year the amount of contributions was $811.13¼. In 1845 the amount was $1,568.22. During the sixteen years of the twenty-one years—between 1845 and 1866—the amount contributed in this direction was $25,686.64. Our Church then co-operated with the American Board in the support of the Aintab (Syria) Mission and affiliated missions. In 1862 sixteen native ministers had already been raised up in Aintab alone. The blessing that rested upon the labors of the sainted Dr. B. Schneider are now vouchsafed to the Home work.

The Board, in 1865, withdrew its contributions from the American Board. The subject of Foreign Missions received, from that on, less attention; the gifts of the Church being mainly directed to our missionaries in the West. Later to the missionaries of the German Evangelical Missionary Society at Bisrampore, India.

But in 1878 it received renewed attention, and Japan was chosen by the Board as a proper place for the planting of missionaries. September 30th 1878, the licentiate, Ambrose D. Gring, was elected as its missionary to that country. May, 1879, he and his wife left our shores for that far-off land. Up to this time they have made commendable progress in their work. We have now a Mission-House at Tokio and also a School-House where services for the time being are held on the Lord's Day—the missionary preaching the gospel to those gathered there and also holding a Sunday-school. It was felt that there should be another missionary—a co-laborer on the ground. Accordingly, in May, 1883, the Board elected Rev. J. P. Moore to that position, and on the 4th of September, same year, he and his wife left San Francisco for that country, arriving there in safety in due time

III.—NEEDS OF THE MISSION WORK.

1. The Reformed Church needs *more missionaries* for both the Home and Foreign fields. The Seminaries partly supply this want, but for a regular succession of men we must look to the families of the Church. Should not parents feel it a privilege to consecrate their sons to the missionary work? It is indeed a life of toil and self-denial, but is sure to be a happy life. And parents, ministers and Sunday-school teachers, as well as Professors in Colleges and Seminaries should be unwearied in their efforts to secure pious, talented young men for this service. There are many Reformed congregations that have never furnished a single student for the ministry, and yet many more that never gave a man to the Mission work. The charge of the Saviour to evangelize all nations is as binding on every individual congregation as if it were the only one which had received the command. The authority is divine; the need clear. Rom. x: 14, 15. Indifference here is treason to the gospel.

And our missionaries must be well equipped theologically. They need not be lovers of controversy, but must be prepared for it—always ready to give an answer . . . of the hope that is in them. The Church acts wisely in thoroughly training its candidates for the ministry. And let neither students nor missionary pastors forget to give proper attention to the English language. Where it is neglected, even in German Missions in the United States, these will largely become feeders to other denominations —the rising youth always preferring the English to any other language.

2. Reformed Mission Boards need *more money*. One

source of discouragement to the brethren, who so kindly manage the benevolent operations of the Church, is found in their slender resources and their consequent inability to respond favorably to the many applications for assistance made to them. The funds annually provided by the Church have thus far generally proven inadequate. This is perplexing and humiliating. True, much has been accomplished, yet far more might be done if only the contributions were doubled or trebled. There is much stored wealth in the Reformed Church, and should we not bring a portion of it into the Lord's treasury? Mere spasmodic giving will not answer. Offering alms unto the Lord is too important an act of worship to be left to mere feeling or casual influences, and should be governed by system. And here we have a *perfect method*—THE APOSTOLIC PLAN OF BENEFICENCE—see 1 Corinth. xvi: 2. It has advantages over all other plans. 1. The *time* is specified when money for benevolent objects is to be consecrated. "Upon the first day of the week." 2. The plan designates *the persons* who are to adopt it: "every one," all "lay by in store." 3. *The rule:* "as God hath prospered him." 4. *The reason* for adopting this plan: "that there be no gathering when I come." Paul was unwilling to be regarded in the light of a tax-gatherer or beggar of alms. And with this plan of weekly offerings from every member of the Church in general use, there will be no lack of funds for greatly enlarged missionary enterprises. Then, too, will the meagre salaries of our self-denying missionaries be promptly paid, their cares diminished and their joys increased.

3. The regular Boards need *complete control* of all missionary work within their bounds. Classes should confine their operations to *sustentations*—strengthening weak charges, helping them to pay church debts, &c. The appointment, payment, and direction of missionaries is the proper province of the Synodical Boards.

IV.—HELPS.

VARIOUS INSTRUMENTALITIES IN THE CHURCH HELP THE CAUSE OF MISSIONS.

1. The pulpit and the press are, under God, the most efficient helps. The pastor cannot be true to his calling without seeking to promote this work in all branches of his labor. Special sermons on the subject, and missionary services and festivals are all of value here. Our German and English church papers give information concerning the work, extracts from the reports of missionaries, details, history, statistics, &c., thus interesting the churches and eliciting the needed support.

2. Missionary societies should be organized in all congregations to spread information and cultivate alms-giving.

3. Missionary conventions are always well attended, and never fail of good results.

4. The anniversaries of the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, generally held during the sessions of Synod, must be named here. They deserve more attention than is usually bestowed upon them. They always form an edifying part of Synod's sessions. One feature might perhaps be safely abolished—the pledges for money. They are often like Jehoshaphat's ships of Tarshish—made "to go to Ophir for gold; but they went not; for the ships were broken at Eziongeber."

5. Enlist the Sunday Schools in missions. A limited effort of this kind was made in 1873, and in seven months, 68 schools sent to the Treasurer $891.46. What would have been the grand result if the movement had been made along the entire line of the 1200 Sunday Schools East and West at that time?

6. Donations and legacies to missions. The gold and the silver, and the cattle upon a thousand hills are the Lord's—He is the proprietor; we are the stewards of His property. It is wrong to keep all the income for ourselves and our children. Therefore, give to the Lord liberally during life, and remember Him in your last will and testament.

Reformed Colleges, Seminaries and Mission Institutes are great helps to this cause. They are to it what the armory, arsenal and training-schools are to an army. While gratefully remembering Mercersburg, Tiffin, Lancaster and Ursinus, we forget not the Sheboygan Mission House, Calvin Institute, and others, which in their respective spheres render aid in developing our peculiar denominational life and in taking possession of the heritage God has set before us. Beneficiary Education performs also an important duty here. The Crischona Pilger Mission Institute of Basel, Switzerland has done the Church good service in sending over missionaries for our Western field. The Ursinus Union sustains a mission of its own and aids others in various parts of the Church. The Sheboygan Classis has a prosperous mission among the Winnebago Indians, at Black River Falls, Wisconsin. The German Evangelical Mission Society supports the Rev. O. Lohr, zealously preaching Christ at Bisrampore and out-stations in East India. Church Extension, as a co-ordinate branch of the Mission work, has a fine record in the Reformed Church and deserves to be warmly cherished. Much help may also be expected from the proposed Harbor Mission in New York. Why delay its establishment? Besides the Synods represented in the Board of Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, there are three other District Synods of the Reformed Church in the United States, successfully engaged in Missions. In 1881 the General Synod's Board reported a total of 94 missions under its care: and it may be safely said that in proportion to the means at its command, the Reformed Church has accomplished as much as any other denomination in the land.

Here we rest. The whole Reformed Church in the United States has reason to unite in a hearty *Te Deum* in view of the Lord's blessings to us in the Past and the bright prospects before us in the Future.

O Lord, our efforts own,
To spread the Gospel rays;
And rear on sin's demolish'd throne
The temples of Thy praise.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

From September 1st. 1882, to August 31st, 1883.

1882.

Sept. 1—Death of Rev. John M. Stoner, Wooster, O.
" 10—Dedication of St. Peter's Reformed Church, Somerset County, Pa., Rev. ———, Pastor.
" 20—Annual Meeting of Pittsburg Synod, Trinity Church, Red Bank Charge, Clarion Co., Pa.
" 24—Dedication of Reformed Church, Nanticoke, Pa., Rev. F. K. Levan, Pastor.
Oct. 11—Annual Meeting of Synod of United States, Bellefonte, Centre Co., Pa. . . . . Annual Meeting of Potomac Synod, Altoona, Blair Co., Pa.
" 16—Death of Rev. J. B. Thompson, Canaan, O.
" 18—Annual Meeting of Synod of Ohio, Akron, O.
" 26—Annual Meeting of Central Synod, Canton, O.
" 27—Offer of Premium of $20 for best Tract on the Work of Missions in the Reformed Church in the United States, by Rev. Chas. G. Fisher, Supt. of Ref. Ch. Pub. Board, 907 Arch St., Philadelphia.
" 29—Laying Corner-stone of St. Mark's Church, Cressona, Lebanon Co., Pa., Rev. J. A. Reber, Pastor. . . . Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church, Bellefonte, Centre Co., Pa., Rev. J. F. DeLong, Pastor.
Nov. 5—Dedication of Reformed Church at Plymouth, Pa., Rev. S. C. Meckel, Pastor. . . . Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church, New Williams Twp., Northampton Co., Pa., Rev. D. F. Brendle, Pastor.
" 10—Dedication of First Reformed Church, Arcanum, O., Rev. J. E. Dingledine, Pastor.
" 11—Laying of Cornes-stone of Zion's Reformed (German) Church, Reading, Pa., Rev. L. K. Derr, Pastor.
" 12—Dedication of Reformed Church, Swander's, O., Rev. B. F. Tucker, Pastor.
" 19—Dedication of Irvine Reformed Church, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. W. I. Stewart, Pastor.
" 20—Death of Rev. J. Nicolai, Abilene, Kan.
" 23—Death of Rev. Paul Reutenik, Clay City, Ind.
Dec. 6—Death of Rev. J. Samuel Vandersloot, Philadelphia, Pa.
" 14—Dedication of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.
" 28—Death of Rev. Jacob Weaver, Sidney, O. . . . . Death of Rev. A. J. Whitmore, Kerr's Creek, Va.

1883.

Jan. 2—Death of Rev. Chas. Cast, Egg Harbor City, N. J.
" 15—Death of Rev. H. A. Friedel, Harrisburg, Pa.
Feb. 2—Death of Rev. Christian Keller, Bridesburg, Philadelphia, Pa.

1883.

Feb. 8—Announcement of Decision of Committee on Premium Tract No. 2—"The Work of Missions in Reformed Church in U. S."—in favor of Rev. I. A. Sites, Columbus Junction, Iowa.
" 17—Death of Rev. H. S. Bassler, Millersburg, Dauphin Co., Pa.
" 18—Dedication of Reformed Church, Canal, Winchester Co., O., Rev. A. Henry, Pastor.
" 27—Death of Rev. J. Hannaberry, Ridgely, Md.
March 4—Death of Rev. D. M. Whitmore, near Martinsburg, Berkeley Co., W. Va.
" 14—Appointment of Rev. J. P. Moore and wife as Missionaries to Japan, by Board of Foreign Missions. . . . Death of Peter Tendich, Attica, O. . . . Death of Rev. S. B. Leiter, D. D., Wadsworth, O.
April 1—Rev. W. E. Krebs assumed Presidency of Female College, Allentown, Pa. . . . Dedication of Zion's Reformed Church, Orbisonia, Huntingdon Co., Pa., Rev. C. H. Reiter, Pastor.
" 10—Resignation of Rev. H. H. W. Hibschman, D. D., as Synodical Editor of the "Messenger," and the appointment by the Board of Publication of Rev. D. Van Horne, Philadelphia, to fill the vacancy until the next meeting of Synod of U. S.
" 18—Death of Rev. John Pence, Tremont, O.
" 23—Death of Rev. Hiram Shaull, Sidney, O.
" 27—Opening of Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa., with Rev. W. M. Riely, Ph. D., as President.
May 6—Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church, Catawissa, Rev. G. B. Dechant, Pastor. . . . Dedication of Reformed Church, near West Unity, O., Rev. J. Steiner, Pastor.
" 10—Anniversary of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.
" 12—Laying the Corner-stone of Grace Reformed Church, Lyons, Kan., Rev. A. R. Holshouser, Pastor.
" 13—Death of Rev. Diedrich Willers, D. D., Varick, N. Y.
May 20—Dedication of Reformed Church, Betzville, O., Rev. W. Smith, Pastor.
" 22—Organization of Juniata Classes, Synod of Potomac.
" 23—Commencement of Theological Seminary, Tiffin, Ohio.
" 29—Death of Rev. H. Miller, Waynesboro', Pa.
June 3—Dedication of First Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa., Rev. C. R. Dieffenbacher, Pastor.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS—Continued.

1883.

" 6—Laying Corner-stone of Reformed Church, Bedford, Pa., Rev. E. N. Kremer, Pastor.
" 9—Laying of Corner-stone of Reformed Church, Spring Grove, York Co., Pa., Rev. H. Hilbish, Pastor.
" 11—Death of Rev. W. F. P. Davis, Reading, Pa. .... Anniversary of Palatinate, College, Myerstown, Pa.
" 16—Re-dedication of Trinity Reformed Church, Bearytown, N. Y. Rev. J. Hunsberger, Pastor.
" 20—Annual Commencement of Female Seminary, Greensburg, Pa.
" 21—Annual Commencement of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. . . . Annual Commencement Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O.
" 28—Annual Commencement of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.

July 15—Laying Corner-stone of First Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. D. VanHorne, D.D., Pastor. . . . Death of Rev. Chas. H. Leinbach, D. D., Stouchsburg, Pa.
" 18—Farewell Meeting with Rev. J. P. Moore and wife, Missionaries to Japan, Salem's Reformed Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
" 22—Dedication of Reformed Church, Liscomb, Iowa, Rev. H. Bair, Pastor.
" 26—Anniversary of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa., Rev. D. B. Albright, Sup't.
" 27—Laying of Corner-stone of Reformed Church, Berlin, Somerset Co., Pa., Rev. S. R. Breidenbaugh, Pastor.

Aug. 5—Dedication of Basement of Reformed Church, Cressona, Lebanon Co., Pa., Rev. J. A. Reber, Pastor.
" 19—Laying Corner-stone of St. Paul's Chapel, Stephenson's Depot, Frederick Co., Va., Rev. A. R. Kremer, Pastor.
" 23—Assembly of Reformed People at Oakland Beach, Conneaut Lake, Crawford Co., Pa.
" 25—Re-dedication of Zion's Reformed Church, Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Pa., Rev. W. C. Cremer, Pastor.

☞ARE you interested in the subject of Missions? Do you read about the missionary operations of our Church, at home and in the foreign field? Do you contribute of your means for the spread of the Gospel through these channels? Do you, above all, remember the missionary in your prayers? Our Church has now two missionaries (with their wives) in Japan. Besides these we have many missionaries in the Home Field. These must all be supported, not only with money, but also with continual prayer and faith on the part of the Church. Have you a missionary Society in your congregation?

A CONSTITUTION

For Auxiliary Missionary Societies.

NAME.

ART. 1. This Society shall be known as the Missionary Society of the Reformed Church and Sunday-school at ————, auxiliary to the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

OBJECT.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to awaken interest in the cause of Missions; to diffuse missionary intelligence, and to secure regular weekly contributions, for the support of missions in the Reformed Church.

OFFICERS.

ART. 3. The officers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected for the period of one year, and may be re-elected at the option of the Society.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 4. The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings, and attend to such duties as do not interfere with the relations of the Pastor as President *ex-officio* and as hereafter defined.

ART. 5. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the transactions of the Society, and a roll of the membership.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep an account of all monies received and disbursed, to pay out all monies as directed by the Society, and to make a report to the Society at the end of the year.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 7. The members of the Society shall consist of Sunday-school scholars and teachers, members of the Church and friends, who shall contribute at least one cent per week; and each member shall be furnished with a certificate of membership, provided by the Board of Missions, with the name of its officers attached and the seal of the Board.

MEETINGS.

ART. 8. There shall be monthly meetings of this Society either after divine services on Sunday, or at such other times as may be fixed on by resolution of the Society. These meetings, in connection with the transaction of business claiming attention, may be social or devotional as may seem best calculated to promote the object of the Society. At the end of the year a missionary festival shall be held, at which, among other things, the Treasurer's report shall be made, an annual report of the progress and success of the Society shall be read by the President, missionary addresses delivered, and such other exercises observed, as will tend to promote the cause of missions in the congregations.

FUNDS.

ART. 9. The funds of this Society shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, established by the three Synods of the Reformed Church, the Synod of the United States, the Pittsburgh Synod, and the Synod of the Potomac.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

ART. 10. A Standing Committee, of which the officers of the Society shall be members, shall consist of ten persons, who shall be elected annually by the Society. It shall be the duty of this Committee, to interest the Society in the work of missions, to secure the names of new members, and to carry out any instructions which may be given by the Society.

THE DUTIES OF THE PASTOR.

ART. 11. The pastor shall be President *ex-officio*, preside at the meetings of the Society whenever he shall deem it necessary; conduct all religious services, and in his absence appoint some one for that purpose, assist the members by his counsel, and endeavor to secure the co-operation of the members of the congregation.

BY-LAWS.

ART. 12. By-Laws can be adopted by this Society to meet any wants which have not herein been provided for.

BATTLE SONG OF THE CHURCH.

EAR not the foe, thou flock of God,
Fear not the sword, the spear, the rod,
Fear not the foe!
He fights in vain, who fights with thee;
Soon shalt thou see his armies flee,
Himself laid low.

Come, cheer thee to the toil and fight;
'Tis God, thy God, defends the right;
He leads thee on.
His sword shall scatter every foe,
His shield shall ward off every blow;
The crown is won.

His is the battle, His the power,
His is the triumph in that hour;
In Him be strong.
So round thy brow the wreath shall twine,
So shall the victory be thine,
And thine the song.

THOUGHTS FOR THE CHARITABLE.

Not how much we give, but *how much we give up,* is the true measure of charity. The widow who gave her mite, "cast in more than they all," because she gave out of her necessity, they out of their abundance. The pounds which the rich give and do not miss, are of less account in God's eyes than the pence which the poor contribute and cannot well spare. Give what you can afford, is a good rule: but give till you *feel* it, is a better; for charity without sacrifice brings no blessing.

Remember also that Christ sees what you give and how you give. It is said (Mark xii: 41,) "*Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury.*" Jesus beholds the act and knows the heart, and no unsanctified penuriousness can escape His displeasure, nor any self-sacrificing act fail of His approval and blessing. The best check and the truest comfort in almsgiving is to remember this—Jesus sees what and how we cast into the treasury.

☞Do not judge hastily, much less harshly, of your fellow believers. Remember that there is no one perfect. The sun has spots and "even Jupiter somtimes nods." Remember also that, as small and otherwise unnoticeable specks are most easily detected on a white garment, so the better Christian a man is, the more easy it is to notice comparatively unimportant defects in his character. What Dr. Johnson says is very true: "Character should be judged of in the mass. A block of tin may contain a grain of silver, but it is still a block of tin; and a block of silver may contain a grain of tin, but it is still a block of silver."

FORM FOR BEQUESTS.

In making a bequest to one or more benevolent objects, it is important that a proper form be used; otherwise the intent of the testator may be defeated. Hence we suggest the following:

"I give and bequeath to the 'Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of———dollars; to 'Franklin and Marshall College,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' of which Elder W. H. Seibert, of Harrisburg, Pa., is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of———dollars; to the Board of Education of the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States,' of which Rev. Charles G. Fisher is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Synod of the Potomac,' of which Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick is at present Treasurer, the sum of——— dollars; to the 'Board of Beneficiary Education of the Pittsburgh Synod,' of which Rev. Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Publication of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located in Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of ———dollars; to the 'Society for the relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of———dollars; to 'Bethany Orphans' Home,' located at Womelsdorf, Pa., the sum of——— dollars, and to 'St. Paul's Orphans' Home,' located at Butler, Pa., the sum of———dollars; the several sums thus bequeathed to be used by the respective associations for the general purposes of their organization.

A FAIR.

A church proposed to have a fair to raise some money. Finally the pastor, in order to smooth matters and adjust difficulties, proposed to do away with the fair, and instead, take up a collection on a certain Sunday, which he called the "Fair Sunday." It was done, and $600 rolled into the plates—double the amount the fair would have brought, to say nothing of the cost. All of which indicates that there is an unfair way of giving, better than a fair way of a certain kind, resulting in the securing of more alms and the development of this grace also. Now, let other churches try the Fair Sunday, but not the fair. Imagine the Apostles holding a fair to raise money to send Paul to Cappadocia!

☞A bad book or a bad companion, is like iodine, of which the chemist says that one grain will color 7000 times its weight ofwater.

WORK.

You are all of you workers, either in the vineyard of the Lord or out of it, either for Christ or against Him.

Your employment may be low and mean, as the world reckons work, but if you put into it a patient, consecrated spirit; if you do it with a will, and because it is right, whatever your hands find to do; if you stand up for Jesus whenever you have an opportunity, you are as truly helping the cause of Christ as the editor in his office or the minister in his pulpit.

Your daily employments may be such homely tasks as washing dishes, making beds, dusting the office, sweeping the stairs, or running errands. It does not matter. Everything—study, play, work, conversation—may be carried on to the glory of God.

It is not for you to say whose influence is most far-reaching:

What though thy power compared to some,
Be weak to aid and bless;
Because the rose is queen of flowers
Do we love the daisy less?
Others may do a greater work,
But you have your part to do,
And no one in all God's heritage
Can do it as well as you.

MINISTERS IN TROUBLE.

To say of a minister, "He has trouble in his church," is generally thought to be against him; but it may be in his favor. Some men have neither manhood, piety, nor regard for the church sufficient to make trouble. They will let immorality break in, and fashionable vice creep in, and smile benignly all the while, taking the gifts and flatteries of the people with unctuous delight. Such men have "no trouble," but "iniquity abounds and the love of many waxes cold" wherever they go. Whoever succeeds one of them, if honest, must have trouble. What kind of trouble does the minister have? Does he preach the truth honestly, try to enforce the discipline, and raise the standard of right living; and does this make trouble among the backsliders and the ungodly? If so, the trouble is a testimony to his good work. There are churches that will go rapidly to ruin unless some one is sent there to make trouble.

THE CHILDREN IN CHURCH.

"Here am I and the children Thou hast given me." That is well. That is as it should be. The children at Church, and in the family pew. They understand more than you suppose; and they are solemnly impressed by the occasion, even if they cannot understand the sermon. "But they will get so tired going to Church and then to Sunday-school." Not so very tired as you suppose. They rise up and change posture during singing. The service is only about an hour and a quarter long. Then comes a recess to go into Sunday-school. Then only about an hour there, and no such hard study as in school. Really, do you see? Any half-day at school is more severe than a whole service at Church, including the Sunday-school. Besides if they cannot attend both, the Sunday-school can be omitted. Our very best Sunday-school workers will tell you that the Church is worth more to the children than the school. If he can have but the one, give him the Church. But do not be whimsical; he can have both. It will not hurt him. Bring the children.

THE LORD'S TREASURY.

And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing. And He called unto Him His disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in than all they which have cast into the treasury: for all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living. Mark xii. 41–44.

If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not. 2 Cor. viii. 12.

The Church has need of Money for the following objects:—

1. In aid of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Widows of deceased Ministers.
2. In aid of Foreign Missions, in Japan and India.
3. In aid of Home Missions, General, Tri-Synodic Board and Boards of the other Synods.
4. In aid of the Orphan Homes, at Womelsdorf and Butler, Pa.
5. In aid of The Reformed Church Publication Board, Philadelphia, Pa., for the publication of Books and Tracts.

Collections for all the above worthy objects should be statedly and regularly lifted, and those possessed with the ability, to a greater or less degree, should give of what they have to spare to the same. The good that thereby may be done, can by no means, be estimated.

THE WEDNESDAY EVENING LECTURE.

Do you attend it? If not, why not? You say you have no time. Is that strictly true? Or, perhaps you plead that you are not interested in the pastor's discourse. But, are there not other reasons why you should attend, besides the hearing of the sermon or lecture? Besides, how do you know that the sermon or lecture is not interesting, if you are never there to hear it? If all persons remained away as you do, there could be no Wednesday evening lecture. Are you not doing all you can to kill these mid-week services, and to discontinue this "sweet hour of prayer?"

PREMIUM TRACTS NOS. 1 AND 2.

Circulate them! Send for a supply of each. Pastors would do well, as also pious Laymen, to have a good supply of them in their pockets to hand them out as they go about their daily duties.

UNITED STATES POSTAL LAWS.

Rates on all Mailable Matter Between Points in the United States.

LETTERS. Each ½ oz.

Mail Letters . . . . . 2 cents.
Drop letters at letter carrier offices . . . . . 2 "
Drop letters at NON letter carrier offices . . . . . 1 "

Drawings, plans, designs, and all matter sealed against inspection, 3 cents each ½ oz. or fraction oz.

Registered letters, 10 cents in addition to the proper postage.

NEWSPAPERS.

BOOKS, MERCHANDISE, SEEDS, ETC.

Newspapers and periodicals to regular subscribers, weekly or oftener, 2 cents a lb.

Transient Newspapers, 1 cent each two oz.

THIRD CLASS MATTER.—Books (printed and blank), circulars, other printed matters, proof sheets, corrected proof sheets and manuscript, copy accompanying same, valentines, heliotypes, chromos, posters, lithographs, stereoscopic views, photographs, printed blanks, business cards, tags and tickets, 1 cent each 2 oz.

Newspapers (except weeklies to subscribers), circulars and periodicals, not 2 oz. in weight, deposited in letter carrier offices, for local delivery, 1 cent each.

FOURTH CLASS MATTER.—Printed envelopes in quantity, blank bills, letter heads, blank cards, flexible patterns, plain envelopes and letter paper, sample cards, merchandise, models, sample ores, metals, minerals, seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, not exceeding 4 lbs. in weight, 1 cent each oz. or fraction of oz.

Patterns and samples to Canada, 10 cents prepaid for each 8 oz. or fraction.

First, third and fourth class matter may be registered at 10 cents each package in addition to regular postage.

All matter not prepaid at letter rates must be so wrapped that it can be examined without destroying the wrapper, and can name contents, from whom, and address, and nothing more. A business card may be printed, impressed, or pasted on the wrappers. Liquids, poisons, explosives, and other dangerous matters are excluded.

Postage to Foreign Countries.

LETTERS.	Not exc. ½ oz. Cts.	Newspapers. Cts.
Africa, west coast, British possessions	*5	1
Africa, west coast, except Liberia, British, French, Spanish, and Portuguese possessions	15	3
Aspinwall	*5	1
New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, via San Francisco	12	2
Australia, except above places, via San Francisco	5	2
Austria	*5	1
Belgium	*5	1
Bermuda, via New York	*5	1
Brazil	*5	1
Canada, Nova Scotia, etc.	3	1
Newfoundland	*5	1
Cape of Good Hope, British mail	*15	3
Bolivia, via Aspinwall	17	5
Chili, Ecuador, and Peru	*5	1
China—Amoy, Canton, Chee Foo, Hong Kong, Shanghai, via San Francisco	*5	1
China, via England and Brindisi	*13	4
Cuba	*5	1
Denmark	*5	1
France and Colonies	*5	1
Germany	*5	1
Great Britain and Ireland	*5	1
Holland	*5	1
India, British, via Brindisi	*5	1
India, French and Portuguese Colonies	*5	1
Italy	*5	1
Japan and Trisum-po, Corea, via San Francisco	*5	1
Liberia, via Southampton	*5	1
Mexico	*5	1
Natal, British mail	*15	4
New Zealand, via San Francisco	*12	2
" " Brindisi	*15	3
Norway and Sweden	*5	1
Portugal	*5	1
Russia	*5	1
Sandwich Islands, via San Francisco	6	4
Shanghai, via San Francisco	5	2
Spain	*5	1
Switzerland	*5	1
Turkey—Europe and Asia	*5	1
Venezuela	*5	1
West Indies, direct	*5	2
" via St. Thomas	13	4

The asterisk (*) indicates that the postage may be prepaid or not, at the option of the sender of the letter.

International postal cards, price 2 cents, may be sent to any of the above-mentioned countries where the postage is designated as 5c.

Money Orders.

No fraction of cents allowed in any money order.

Postal notes from 1 cent to $5, three cents.

Rates on Money Orders in United States—Not exceeding $10, eight cents; over $15 to $30, ten cents; over $30 to $40, fifteen cents; over $40 to $50, twenty cents.

Money Orders to Great Britain or Ireland—Not exceeding $10, twenty-five cents; over $10 to $20, fifty cents; over $20 to $30, seventy cents; over $30 to $40, eighty-five cents; over $40 to $50, one dollar.

Money Orders to German Empire, France, Italy, Canada, and Algeria—Not exceeding $10, fifteen cents; over $10 to $20, thirty cents; over $20 to $30, forty-five cents; over $30 to $40, sixty cents; over $40 to $50, seventy-five cents.

Money Orders to Switzerland—Not exceeding $10, twenty-five cents; over $10 to $20, fifty cents; over $20 to $30, seventy-five cents; over $30 to $40, one dollar; over $40 to $50, one dollar and twenty-five cents.

ORPHAN HOMES OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF ORPHANS.
BETHANY	Womelsdorf, Berks County, Pa.	REV. D. B. ALBRIGHT	68
ST. PAUL'S	Butler, Butler County, Pa.	REV. P. C. PRUGH	37
TABITHA CUMI	Detroit, Mich.	REV. L. ZIEGLER	10
"OUR CHILD"	Fort Wayne, Ind.	REV. J. RETTIG,	

MEETING OF THE CLASSES

OF THE SYNOD OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SYNOD OF PITTSBURG, AND THE SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.
East Pennsylvania	Easton, Northampton Co., Pa.	May 23d, 1884.
Lebanon	Orphan's Home, Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	June 12th, 1884.
Philadelphia	North Wales, Montgomery Co., Pa.	June 6th, 1884.
Lancaster	Hummelstown, Dauphin Co., Pa.	June 5th, 1884.
East Susquehanna	Bloomsburg, Columbia Co., Pa.	June 4th, 1884.
West Susquehanna	Lewisburg, Union Co., Pa.	May 7th, 1884.
Goshenhoppen	Friedensburg, Berks Co., Pa.	May 23d, 1884.
Tohickon	South Bethlehem, Northampton Co., Pa.	May 23d, 1884.
Westmoreland	Scottdale, Westmoreland Co., Pa.	June 5th, 1884.
Clarion	Du Bois, Clearfield Co., Pa.	June 5th, 1884.
St. Paul's	Greenville, Mercer Co., Pa.	June 5th, 1884.
Somerset	New Centreville, Somerset Co., Pa.	June 4th, 1884.
Alleghenv	St. Paul's Church, Sugar Creek Charge, Armstr'ng Co., Pa.	May 28th, 1884
Zion's	Shrewsbury, York Co., Pa.	June 6th, 1884.
Maryland	Clearspring, Washington Co., Md.	June 11th, 1884.
Mercersburg	Marion, Franklin Co., Pa.	April 30th, 1884.
Virginia	Martinsburg, Berkeley Co., W. Va.	June 4th, 1884.
North Carolina	Mt. Hope Church, Guilford Co., N. C.	May 22d, 1884.
Lehigh	Allentown, Lehigh Co., Pa.	April 17th, 1884.
San Francisco		
Portland—Oregon	Near Oak Point, Cowlitz Co., Wash. T'r.	June 12th, 1884.
Gettysburg	Spring Grove, York Co., Pa.	May 29th, 1884.
Carlisle	Duncannon, Perry Co., Pa.	May 15th, 1884.
Juniata	St. Clairsville, Bedford Co., Pa.	April 23d, 1884.

PERIODICALS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	WHERE PUBLISHED.	HOW OFTEN ISSUED	WHEN FIRST ISSUED.
ENGLISH.			
The Messenger	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.	Weekly	1827
Christian World	Dayton, Ohio	"	1848
The Guardian	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.	Monthly	1850
Scholar's Quarterly	" " " "	Quarterly	1882
The Sunday School Treasury	" " " "	Semi-Monthly	1859
Sunshine	" " " "	Weekly	1879
Mercersburg Review	" " " "	Quarterly	1849
The Instructor	Dayton, Ohio	Monthly	1873
Leaves of Light	" "	Semi-Monthly	1873
Golden Words	" "	"	1883
Little Pearls	" "	Weekly	1883
Orphan's Friend	Butler, Butler Co., Pa.	Monthly	1877
Missionary Sentinel and Herald	Lancaster, Pa.	"	1880
College Student	" "	"	1880
Heidelberg Monthly Journal	Tiffin, Ohio	"	1880
GERMAN.			
Kirchenzeitung and Evangelist	Cleveland, Ohio	Weekly	1838
Reformirte Hausfreund	Reading, Pa.	Every other week	1866
Der Lammerhirte	Cleveland, Ohio	Monthly	1859
Der Missionar	Sheboygan, Wis.	"	1880
Die Abendlust	Cleveland, Ohio	"	1876
Der Kinderfreund	San Francisco, Cal.	"	1882

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

SYNODS.	Classes.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	Unconfirmed Members.	Baptisms.		Additions.		Communed.	Dismissed.	Excommunic'd.	Erased.	Deaths.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday School Scholars.	Students for the Ministry.	Contributions.	
						Infants.	Adults.	Confir'd.	Certif'te.									Benev'lent Purposes.	Congreg'l Purposes.
Synod of U. S. . . .	9	217	449	69,816	40,080	5,810	395	3,941	1,397	55,331	722	2	521	2,806	522	42,696	48	$37,956 17	$291,426 16
Synod of Ohio, . . .	10	140	285	18,897	7,871	744	402	965	656	15,080	273	13	484	363	219	15,931	12	11,724 00	104,568 00
Ger., Synod, N. West,	8	110	146	13,249	9,663	1,168	30	909	834	10,077	170	30	266	388	124	7,260	20	7,658 00	51,423 00
Synod of Pittsburgh,	5	58	127	12,275	8,858	860	73	723	477	10,567	223		208	208	103	8,037	15	49,108 83	58,936 89
Sy'd of the Potomac,	10	132	272	28,122	18,732	1,976	212	1,340	570	23,444	401	3	239	750	241	18,115	16	14,178 46	121,938 41
Ger., Sy'd of the East,	5	42	37	9,469	6,048	1,744	20	701	430	7,536	53	3	214	447	37	6,377	3	5,349 00	52,259 00
Central Synod, . . .	4	70	116	14,750	10,057	1,129	31	893	583	11,400	96	5	171	693	98	8,940	14	7,927 00	64,198 00
Total:— Synods 7 . .	51	767	1432	166,578	101,309	13,431	1,163	9,532	4,947	133,435	1938	56	2,103	5,721	1,344	107,356	128	$133,901 46	$745,749 46

LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	PRESIDENT.
Franklin and Marshall College	Lancaster, Pa.	T. G. Apple, D. D.
Heidelberg College	Tiffin, Ohio	Geo. W. Williard, D. D.
Catawba College	Newton, N. C.	J. C. Clapp, D. D.
Mercersburg College	Mercersburg, Pa.	G. W. Aughinbaugh, D. D.
Clarion Collegiate Institute	Rimersburg, Clarion Co., Pa.	
Palatinate College	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	William M. Reily, Ph. D.
Juniata Collegiate Institute	Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa.	P. H. Bridenbaugh, A. B.
Greensburg Female Collegiate Institute .	Greensburg, Pa.	Rev. Lucian Cort, A. M.
Ursinus College	Collegeville, Montgomery Co., Pa. .	J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D.
Calvin Institute	Cleveland, Ohio	Rev. A. Accola.
Eastern Theological Seminary	Lancaster, Pa.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D
Western Theological Seminary	Tiffin, Ohio	J. H. Good, D. D.
Mission House	Howard's Grove, Wisconsin	J. Bossard, D. D.
Allentown Female College	Allentown, Pa.	W. E. Krebs, A. M.
College of Northern Illinois	Dakota, Ills.	Rev. F. Wetzel, A. M.
Pleasantville Collegiate Institute	Pleasantville, Ohio	Rev. J. B. Henry, A. B.
International Academy	Portland, Oregon	J. Gantenbein, D. D.

AGED MINISTERS IN OUR CHURCH.

"Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man."—Lev. 19: 32.

All of the following Ministers are still living, and have been ordained over fifty years:

NAME.	ORDAINED.	ADDRESS.
Rev. David Winters, D. D.	. . . 1824 . . .	Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio.
Rev. John Gring	. . . 1825 . . .	Fredericksburg, Lebanon County, Pa.
Rev. Henry King	. . . 1825 . . .	Baltimore, Ohio.
Rev. David Kemmerer, D. D.	. . . 1827 . . .	Wooster, Ohio.
Rev. John C. Bucher, D. D.	. . . 1828 . . .	Lewisburg, Union County, Pa.
Rev. John G. Fritchey	. . . 1828 . . .	Lancaster, Pa.
Rev. John W. Nevin, D. D.	. . . 1829 . . .	Lancaster, Pa.
Rev. J. B. Knipe	. . . 1830 . . .	Chester Springs, Pa.
Rev. L. C. Herman	. . . 1830 . . .	Carlisle, Pa.
Rev. G. W. Glessner, D. D.	. . . 1832 . . .	Shippensburg, Pa.

WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions,	General Synod,	Hon. R. F. Kelker,	Harrisburg, Pa.
Home Missions,	" "	Charles Santee,	239 N. 3d St., Philadelphia
" "	Joint Synods, East'n, Pittsburgh and Potomac,	W. H. Seibert,	Harrisburg, Pa.
" "	German Synod of the East,	W. D. Gross,	3809 Haverford St., Phila.
" "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. J. J. Leberman,	Louisville Ohio.
" "	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. D. Zimmerman,	Galion, Ohio.
Beneficiary Education,	Eastern Synod,	Rev. Chas. G. Fisher,	907 Arch St., Philadelphia
" "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D.D.	Tiffin, Ohio.
" "	Pittsburgh Synod,	T. J. Craig,	Pittsburgh, Pa.
" "	Potomac Synod,	Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick,	Mercersburg, Pa.
Society for Relief of Ministers,	General Synod,	Rev. Theo. Appel, D. D.,	Lancaster, Pa.
Eastern Theological Seminary,	Eastern Synod,	John B. Roth,	Lancaster, Pa.
Western " "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D.,	Miamisburg, Ohio.
Franklin and Marshall College,	Eastern Synod,	Jacob Bausman,	Lancaster, Pa.
Heidelberg College,	Ohio Synod,	Hon. N. L. Brewer,	Tiffin, Ohio.
Mercersburg College,	Potomac Synod,	E. J. Bonbrake, Esq.,	Chambersburg, Pa.
Ursinus College,		Frank M. Hobson,	Freeland, Pa.
Sheboygan Mission Home,	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. J. T. Kluge.	Sheboygan Wis.
Bethany Orphan Home,	Eastern Synod,	W. D. Gross,	3809 Haverford St., Phila.
St. Paul's Orphan Home,	Pittsburgh Synod,	B. Wolf, Jr.,	Craig St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Missions among the Indians,	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. Ludwig Zenk,	Kiel, Manitowoc Co., Wis.
Calvin Institute,	" " "	Rev. H. Trautman,	109 Louis St., Cleveland, O.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U. S.

Being a Triennial Exhibit for the last Eighteen Years.

	1863	1866	1869	1872	1875	1878	1881
Synods,	2	2	3	4	6	6	6
Classes,	26	29	31	35	44	45	48
Ministers,	447	485	526	586	631	710	762
Congregations,	1,099	1,144	1,179	1,312	1,342	1,369	1,403
Members,	98,775	109,925	117,910	130,299	142,872	147,788	161,002
Members Unconfirmed,	56,301	69,765	68,362	73,288	87,120	90,993	96,147
Baptisms, given year,	11,739	11,175	12,776	12,487	13,500	13,203	14,309
Baptisms, in 3 years,	35,446	33,638	36,117	38,605	41,272	40,943	43,750
Confirmed, given year,	5,552	6,845	7,068	7,462	8,766	8,456	9,113
Confirmed, in 3 years,	17,616	16,756	20,183	23,247	25,233	26,733	28,240
Certificate, given year,	1,360	2,421	3,592	3,369	3,733	3,716	4,113
Certificate, in 3 years,	4,406	6,205	8,779	9,889	10,912	11,184	12,263
Communed,	87,871	91,547	96,728	109,507	116,000	120,681	132,709
Dismissed, given year,	552	1,244	1,637	1,454	1,725	1,566	2,249
Dismissed, in 3 years,	1,674	2,975	4,459	4,762	5,000	5,185	5,791
Excommunicated or Erased, given year,	119	196	144	318	387	174	1,626
Excommunicated or Erased, in 3 years,	428	500	528	722	920	1,711	4,436
Deaths, given year,	4,679	4,207	3,773	4,425	4,494	4,887	4,591
Deaths, in 3 years,	12,725	13,486	11,186	12,594	12,000	14,102	14,492
Sunday-Schools,	894	939	1,020	1,021	1,220	1,237	1,346
Sunday-School Scholars,	22,404	34,000	49,000	63,038	75,868	89,982	103,511
Students for Ministry,	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	75	123	157	141
Beneficial Contributions, given year,	$29,528	$60,977	$74,453	$86,650	$79,680	$ 61,727	73,400
Beneficial Contributions, in 3 years,	100,000	202,718	228,818	247,387	253,766	207,417	194,869
Congregational Purposes, given year,	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	310,000	531,929	630,189
Congregational Purposes, in 3 years,	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	700,000	1,305,905	1,738,213

Publications of the Reformed Church in the United States

TO BE HAD AT OUR

PUBLICATION ROOMS, 907 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

CATECHISMS—ENGLISH.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM. (New Edition.)
Embossed, with Constitution, Cloth..... $ 25
Half Binding, with Constitution..... 20
Half Binding, without Constitution..... 15
English and German, with Constitution, bound together, Embossed..... 40

EXERCISES ON CATECHISM. Rev. S. R. Fisher, D.D... 50

PALATINATE CATECHISM..... 50

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM—SIMPLIFIED
Paper Covers.....10 cts. Half Binding..... 15

THE SHORTER CATECHISM. Rev. D. Van Horne, D.D.
Paper..... 8 cts. Half Binding..... 12

THE CHILD'S CATECHISM. Rev. H. Harbaugh, D.D.
Paper.....12 cts. Half Binding..... 18

CHILD'S CATECHISM. Rev. N. S. Strassburger..... 05

CHILD'S CATECHISM on the BIBLE. Rev. A. C. Whitmer.
Paper Covers.....10 cts. Half Binding..... 15

SACRED GEOGRAPHY. With Maps. Rev. A. C. Whitmer.. 25

CHILD'S HEIDELBERG CATECHISM.
Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D.D..... 8

HYMN BOOKS—ENGLISH.

HYMNS FOR THE REFORMED CHURCH.
(New Hymn Book).
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 1 00
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 50
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 2 00
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 3 50

FORMS AND HYMNS.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 1 25
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 75
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 3 00
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 4 00

ORDER OF WORSHIP AND HYMNS.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 1 75
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 2 25
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 3 25
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 4 50

HYMNS FOR THE REFORMED CHURCH. (New.)
Small Size. 32mo.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 50
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 65
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 1 00
Real Turkey, Gilt, Stiff or Limp..... 1 75
Same, with Forms.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 65
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 90
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 1 25
Real Turkey, Gilt, Stiff or Limp..... 2 00

TUNES FOR WORSHIP.
Selected for Hymns for the Reformed Church.....

PSALMS AND HYMNS. (Old Book). Small Size.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 65
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 90
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 1 25
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 2 00
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique, with Clasp..... 2 50
Velvet, Gilt Rim and Clasp..... 4 00
Large Size.
Sheep, Plain..... 1 75
Roan Embossed..... 2 00
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 2 75
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 3 50
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 4 50

REFORMED CHURCH HYMNALS—With Tunes.
Small Print.
Roan Embossed..... $1 25
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 50
Imitation Turkey..... 2 25
Real Turkey, Gilt..... 3 25
Large Print, without Tunes.
Muslin Embossed..... 75
Roan Embossed..... 1 00
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 25
Imitation Turkey..... 1 75
Real Turkey, Gilt..... 2 50

SUNDAY-SCHOOL HYMN BOOKS.

HYMNS AND CHANTS.
Half Binding..... 35
Cloth..... 45

COMPANION OF PRAISE. Rev. D. Van Horne, D.D... 35

HYMNS AND CAROLS. Miss Alice Nevin..... 50

ORDER OF WORSHIP.

ORDER OF WORSHIP.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 1 25
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 75
Roan Embossed, Red Edges, with Cross..... 2 00
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 2 50
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 3 75
Pulpit Edition, Gilt, or Antique..... 5 00

FORMS FROM ORDER OF WORSHIP.
Muslin—Stiff or Limp..... 40

CONSTITUTION.
Constitution. Paper.....Per dozen 60
Constitution and Forms. Muslin..... 25

MISCELLANEOUS.

GOLDEN CENSER.
Roan Embossed, Plain..... 75
Roan Embossed, Gilt..... 1 00
Imitation Turkey, Gilt..... 1 50
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique..... 2 25

CREED and CUSTOMS of the REFORMED CHURCH.
Rev. G. B. Ruussell, D.D..... 1 50

FAMILY ASSISTANT. Rev. S. R. Fisher, D.D..... 1 00

WORKS OF REV. H. HARBAUGH, D.D.
Fathers of the Reformed Church. 5 vols..... 7 50
Heaven. Cloth..... 1 25
Heavenly Recognition. Cloth..... 1 25
Heavenly Home Cloth..... 1 50
True Glory of Woman. Cloth..... 1 25
Union with the Church. Cloth..... 50
Life of Rev. Michael Schlatter. Cloth..... 1 25
Harbaugh's Harfe. Poems. Penna. Germ. and Eng... 1 25
Christological Theology. Flexible..... 05

WORKS OF REV. E. V. GERHART, D.D.
Philosophy and Logic. Cloth..... 1 00
Rauch's Inner Life..... 1 00

WORKS OF REV. G. W. WILLIARD, D.D.
History of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O...... 1 00
Ursinus Commentary..... 2 50

[over.

MISCELLANEOUS—CONTINUED.

WORKS OF REV. D. Y. HEISLER, D.D.
Gift Book for the Million; or Life Pictures of the Prodigal Son $1 00
The Wreathed Cross 1 00

HISTORY OF REFORMED CHURCH—
Westmoreland Classis 45

LIFE OF CONRAD WEISER. Rev. C. Z. WEISER, D.D. 1 25

MERCERSBURG and MODERN THEOLOGY COMPARED.
Rev. SAMUEL MILLER 40

NOTES ON HEIDELBERG CATECHISM.
Rev. A. C. WHITMER 1 00

WORKS OF REV. B. BAUSMAN, D.D.
From Sinai to Zion; or, A Pilgrimage Through the Wilderness to the Land of Promise.
With illustrations. Cloth 1 50
Fine Edition. Gilt 2 00
Wayside Gleanings. Cloth 1 25

WORKS OF REV. D. F. BRENDLE.
The Apostles, their Lives and Labors 1 25
The Prodigal Son. Illustrated 75
" " German 75

WORKS OF REV. J. H. GOOD, D.D.
Prayer Book and Aids to Private Devotion. Postpaid. 30
Church Members' Hand-Book. New. 176 pages. 50 cents. Per dozen 5 00

THE ARTIST AND HIS MISSION.
Rev. W. M. REILY, PH.D. 1 50

THE MYSTICAL PRESENCE. Rev. J. W. NEVIN, D.D. 75

The OFFICE of DEACON and its PRACTICAL WORK.
Rev. L. D. STECKEL ..... Per Dozen, 1 00

THE TERCENTENARY MONUMENT 1 25

THE VOICE OF BLOOD. Rev. S. PHILIPS, A. M. 75

THE WELL DRILLER. Rev. I. A. SITES 75

WANNER ON THE FAMILY. 60

PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH. Prof. S. S. HALDEMAN 1 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

ALICE AND HER LITTLE SCHOOL	Illustrated.	30
EASTER EGGS	"	45
FATHER MILLER	"	75
GOOD FRIDAY	"	40
HOLYDAY STORIES	"	50
LEO REMBRANDT	"	90
LIFE OF CAIN	"	75
MONICA	"	50
ROGATIAN	"	75
SALOME THE DANCER	"	40
SEEKING AND FINDING	"	1 00
THE OLD SCHOOL MASTER	"	90
TREASURY PICTURES. Vol. I	"	60
THREE CHRISTMAS EVES	"	1 50
THE RIPE HARVEST	"	50

CERTIFICATES.

CONFIRMATION.

Black	Per Dozen,	30
Carmine and Black	"	40
Lithograph—Crider	"	1 00
A Tract for Catechumens, with Certificate. Rev. A. C. WHITMER	"	75

MARRIAGE.

Black	Per Dozen	30
Carmine and Black	"	40
Lithograph—Crider	"	1 50
Photograph—Crider	"	4 00
Also those of other Publishers.		
Advice to Married Couples—with Marriage Certificate. Silk and Gilt	"	60

BAPTISMAL.

Colored	Per Dozen,	$ 60
Extra Colored	"	1 00
Gilt	"	1 00
Lithograph—Crider	"	1 50

And those of other Publishers at usual Prices.

BLANKS AND RECORDS.

OFFICIAL BLANKS AND RECORDS.

Forms for Statistical Reports of Pastors to Classes	Per Dozen,	30
Forms for Statistical Reports of Classes to Synods	"	60
Church Records, suitably Ruled, &c.		6 00
Church Records, suitably Ruled, &c. By Rev. M. LOUCKS		2 25

CERTIFICATES.—Dismission of Members, (50 bound together) 40

SERVICES FOR FESTIVALS.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

No. 1. Whitmer	Per Dozen,	40
Nos. 2 and 3	Each "	25

MISSIONARY SERVICE ..... " 1 10

TRACTS.

No. 1. ALMSGIVING—The True Christian Mode.
Per Hundred 1 50

No. 2. TABLE PRAYER ..... Per Hundred, 75

No. 3. HOLY BAPTISM ..... " 1 50

No. 4. THE DUTY OF RECEIVING AND GIVING.
Per Hundred 2 00

PRIZE TRACT No. 1. The Reformed Church in the U. S.

Per Thousand	6 00
Per Hundred	65
Per Dozen	10

ALMANACS. English ..... Per Hundred, 4 75
German ..... Per Dozen, 95

REQUISITES.

Christmas, Easter and Reward Cards, Class Books, Tickets, and Books for Libraries, from all the many Publishers in the United States, at Publishers' Prices.

Also, Bibles Pulpit and Family Standard Theological Works, and Miscellaneous Religious Works, &c. ALL AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICE.

GERMAN PUBLICATIONS.

CATECHISMS.

Heidelberg Catechism	15
Heidelberg Catechism, with Constitution	20 and 25
Palatinate Catechism	50

HYMN BOOKS. SCHAFF'S. (SMALL.)

Roan Embosed, Plain	75
Roan Embossed, Gilt	1 00
Imitation Turkey, Gilt	1 50
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique	2 50
(LARGE.)	
Roan Embossed, Plain	1 50
Roan Embossed, Gilt	1 75
Imitation Turkey, Gilt	2 50
Real Turkey, Gilt, or Antique	3 50

GESANG AND CHORAL BUCH 2 00

EVANGELISCHE LEIDER. (CHAMBERSBURG EDITION.)

Roan Embossed, Plain	75
Roan Embossed, Gilt	1 00
Imitation Turkey, Gilt	1 25

SUNDAY SCHOOL HYMN AND MUSIC BOOK 50

CERTIFICATES. Confirmation, Marriage and Baptismal—different varieties and at all prices.

CHURCH RECORDS. Rev. M. LOUCKS 2 25

Christmas, Easter and Reward Cards, Tickets, &c., &c. Also, Sunday-school Libraries, selected with care and at Publishers' LOWEST PRICES.

A liberal deduction made from the above retail prices to those who buy to sell again. A copy of either of the above works, as well as the publications of any other house, will be sent by mail, postage paid, on receipt of the retail price. The prices stated, however, are subject to the variations of the market. A discount of 5 per cent. on amount of bills for CASH.

SEND FOR CATALOGUE OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOOKS.

ALPHABETICAL REGISTER OF THE MINISTERS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

Accola, O. J., 137 La Belle st., Dayton, O.
Addams. G. E., Carlisle, Cumberl'd Co., Pa.
Albright, D. B. Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.
Albright, G. H., New Lisbon, Colum. Co., O.
Alspach, J. W., Baldwin, Butler Co., Pa.
Andreas, H., Waukegan, Ills.
Andrews, W. M., Claysburg, Blair Co., Pa.
Appel, R. S., Hamburg, Berks Co., Pa.
Appel, Dr. Theodore, Lancaster, Pa.
Apple, Dr. J. H., Saegertown, Craw'd Co., Pa.
Apple, Dr. T. G., Prof., Lancaster, Pa.
Arronet, A., Wright's Grove P.O., Chica., Ills.
Assmann, Robt. G., Hazelton, Luzerne Co., Pa.
Aughinbaugh, Dr. G. W., Mercersburg, Pa.

Bacher, T. J., Fort Wayne, Ind.
Bachman, A. J., Schaefferstown, Leb. Co., Pa.
Bachman, J. N., Lynnport, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Bachman, John, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Bachman, M., 127 Bank st., Baltimore, Md.
Badertscher, C., Bluffton, Allen Co., O.
Bahner, F. F., Waynesboro', Franklin Co., Pa
Baichly, A. E., Grand Rapids, O.
Bair, H., Liscomb, Marshall Co., Iowa.
Balliet, Thomas M., Lehighton, Pa.
Bank, C., New Brunswick, N. J.
Barber, J. W., Stoutsville, Fairfield Co., O.
Barkley, T. J., Sunbury, Pa.
Barringer, P., China Grove, N. C.
Barth, S., 387 N. W. st., Indianapolis, Ind.
Bartholomew, A., Lehighton, Carbon Co., Pa.
Bartholomew, A. R., Pottsville, Pa.
Bates, W. H., Johnstown, Cambria Co., Pa.
Baum, C., Hegins, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Baumgartner, J., Akron, O.
Bauman, E., Portland, Oregon.
Bauman, F. C., Zwingli, Dubuque Co., Iowa.
Bausman, Dr. B., Reading, Pa.
Bausman, B. F., Shepherdstown, W. Va.
Beade, J. C., Port Jefferson, O.
Beam, S. Z., Mt. Pleasant, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Beck, E. M., Bristol. O.
Beck, John H., Mt. Eaton, Wayne Co., O.
Becker, Aug., 991 Scranton av., Cleveland, O.
Becker, Chas., Preston, Ontario Co., C. W.
Becker, C., Broadheadsville, Monroe Co., Pa.
Becker, C. J., Catasauqua, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Becker, N., Waukegan, Ills.
Becker, Philip, South Whitley, Ind.
Beisser, G., Decatur, Adams Co., Ind.
Bentz, H., Yankton, Dakota.
Berleman, F.W., 341 Fairmount Av., Phila., Pa.
Best, A. W. J., Scottdale, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Beyer, C. E. W., Philadelphia, Pa.
Bielfeld, Herman, Frederick, Md.
Biery, Benj. F., Orefield, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Biery, John, Bakersville, Coshocton Co., O.
Binkley, H. K., Reading, Pa.
Black, A. A., Delmont, Pa.
Bloom, N. W., Hillgrove, O.
Boerchers, C., Baltimore, Md.
Boley, Adam, Williamsport, Pa.
Bollenbacher, J., Belvidere, Frank. Co., Tenn.
Bolliger, A., New Basil, Kan.
Bomberger, Dr. J. H. A., Collegeville, Montgomery Co., Pa.
Bomberger, J. H. Columbiana, O.
Bonekemper, C., Menno, Da.
Bonekemper, W., Sutton, Clay Co., Neb.
Bossard, Dr. J., Sheboygan, Wis.
Bowers, A. J., Weyer's Cave, Augusta Co., Va.
Bowling, R. C., Emlenton. Venango Co., Pa.
Bowman, J. C., Hanover, Pa.
Braun, J. B., Isla, Saunders Co., Neb.
Braun, Wm., Cor. Higgins and Hague sts., Cleveland, O.
Brecht, J. J., Sauk City, Sauk Co., Wis.
Breidenbaugh, S.R., Berlin, Somerset Co., Pa.
Brendle, D. F., Bethlehem, Pa.
Bretz, J. L., Massillon, O.
Briefen, D. W., Johnsonville, Wis.
Brown, F. W., Payne, O.
Brown, I. G., Wichita, Kan.
Brown, Simon P., Chapman, Snyder Co., Pa.
Brown, W., Wheeling, W. Va.
Brugger, H., Kehlsville, Washing'n Co., Wis.
Brunner, C., Bridgeport, Conn.
Brunöhler, E., Muhlheim, Wis.
Bucher, Dr. J. C., Lewisburg, Union Co., Pa.
Busche, J. F., 108 Rivington st., New York.
Buser, J. H., Cone, Muscatine Co., Iowa.
Butler, Joseph F., Shelbyville, Ills.
Butt, A., Toledo, Ohio.

Caldwell, D. S., Nevada, O.
Callender, Dr. S. N., Rockingham, Rockingham Co., Va.
Carnahan, B. R., Meyerhoeffer's Store, Va.
Casselman, Amos, Thornville, Ohio.
Cecil, J. W., Thomasv'e, Davidson Co., N. C.
Christman, D. M., Helena, Ohio.
Clapp, Dr. J. C., Newton, N. C.
Clever, C., 210 N. Howard st., Baltimore, Md.
Clouser, W. W., W. Deer Mills, Union Co., Pa.
Comfort, H. I., Frederick, Md.
Cook, H. E., Hagerstown, Md.
Coon, C. H., Boston, Mass.
Cort, C., Greencastle, Franklin Co., Pa.
Cort, L., Greensburg, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Crawford, Jas., 1106 Mt. Vernon st., Philadelphia, Pa.
Cremer, W. C., Chambersburg, Pa.
Crist, J. J., Catasauqua, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Cristine, F. F., Waterloo, De Kalb Co., Ind.
Crooks, R. F., Concord, N. C.

Dahlman, A. E., 729 S. 17th st., Phila., Pa.
Dahlman, Dr. J., Akron, O.
Daniel, H., Nazareth, Northampton Co., Pa.
Darbaker, H. D., McKeesport, Pa.
Davis, Dr. P. S., 907 Arch st., Phila., Pa.
Deatrich, W. R. H., Newport, Perry Co., Pa.
Deatrick, W. M., Mercersb'g, Frank. Co., Pa.
Deatrick, W. W., Glade, Somerset Co., Pa.
Dechant, A. L., Pennsburg, Mont. Co., Pa.
Dechant, F. W., Reading, Pa.
Dechant, G. B., Catawissa, Columbia Co., Pa.
De Geller, E., Stockton, Cal.
De Long, J. F., Bellefonte, Centre Co.; Pa.
Delorme, E., Port Hope Mich.
Dengler, J. G., Sellersville, Bucks Co., Pa.
Denny, M., Chicago, Ills.
Derr, J. H., East Berlin, Pa.
Derr, L. K., Reading, Pa.
Derr, Tilghman, Conyngham, Pa.
Detrich, J. D., Flourtown, Mont. Co., Pa.
Dieckmann, F., Lock-box, W., Wheatland, Ia.
Dieckmann, J. H., Louisville, Ky.
Dieckmann, Wm., New Bremen, Ohio.
Dieffenbacher, C. R., Greensb'g, Westm'd Co. [Pa.
Dieffenbacher, D. S., Kittanning, Pa.
Dieffenbacher, E. H., Mann's Choice, Pa.
Dieffenderfer, M. H., Jenner X Roads. Pa.
Diehm, W., Storm Lake, Iowa.
Dietz, T. R., New Berlin, Union Co., Pa.
Dingledine, J. E., Arcanum, Ohio.
Dippell, P. H., Huntington, Ind.
Dittmar, D. N., Littlestown, Adams Co., Pa.
Dole, A. G., Huntingdon, Pa.
Donat, W., Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
Donat. W. D., Berwick, Pa.
Dotterer, J., N. Washington, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Dreher, W., Cleveland, Ohio.
Driesbach, A. F., Shrewsbury, York Co., Pa.
Dubbs, A. J. G., Allentown, Pa.
Dubbs, Dr. J. H., Prof., Lancaster, Pa.
Duenger, R., Ashland, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Dumstry, M. F., 4720 Butler st., Pittsb'g, Pa.

Ebbert, D. W., Spring City, Chester Co., Pa.
Edmonds, F. A., Harmony, Butler Co., Pa.
Edmonds, L. C., Shannondale, Pa.
Eichen, J. N., Olney, Ills.
Eisenberg, S. H., Latrobe, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Ellers, Wm., South West, Elkhard Co., Ind.
Ellicker, Sol., Elmore, Fon du Lac Co., Wis
Engelmann, Geo., Potter's Mills, Wis.
Engle, W. G., Pillow, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Erb, Edmund, Lincoln, Neb.
Eschbach, Dr. E. R., Frederick, Md.
Esselborn, O., Washburn, Ills.
Etter, J. G., New Glarus, Green Co., Wis.
Evans, J. M., Curllsville, Clarion Co., Pa.
Evans, L. Kryder, Pottstown, Pa.
Ewald, F., Seattle, W, Ty.

Facius, Gustav., Baltimore, Md.
Feete, Daniel, Norristown, Pa.
Feige, W., Storm Lake, BeunaVista Co., Iowa
Fenneman, W. H., Tiffin, Seneca Co., O.

Fenstermaker, Thomas A., 1116 Diamond st., Philadelphia, Pa.
Ferer, B. B., Pleas. Unity, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Firor, M. L., 278 Lexington st., Baltim'e, Md.
Fisher, Charles G., 907 Arch st., Phila, Pa.
Fisher, John J., Tamaqua, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Fleuner, L., Jeffersonville, Ind.
Fogel, Ed. J., Fogelsville, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Foil, J. A., Newton, Catawba Co., N. C.
Forster, B., Bridesburg, Pa.
Forwik, F., 105 Fulton st., Cleveland, O.
Fouse, D. S., Lisbon, Linn Co., Iowa.
Fox, F., 409 W. 47th st., New York City.
Frank, Milton F., Farmersville, Ohio.
Freeman, Jos. E., Weissport, Carbon Co., Pa.
Friebolin, W., 65 De Bow st., St. Paul, Minn.
Fritch, M. L., Reading, Pa.
Fritchey, J. G., Lancaster, Pa.
Fritzinger, J., Allentown, Lehigh Co., Pa.
From, W. A., Plymouth, Ind.
Fuendeling, Julius, San Francisco, Cal.
Fulcason, D. K., Blue Mound, Ill.
Fuerer, E. F. E., Mosel, Sheboygan, Wis.

Gantenbein, Dr. J., Portland, Oregon.
Garner, H. S., Schellsburg, Bedford Co., Pa.
Gast, Dr. F. A., Prof., Lancaster, Pa.
Geary, A. C., Keedysville, Wash'nton Co., Md.
Gehr, Dr. N., 1230 N. 6th st., Phila., Pa.
Geissel, J. F., Fort Wayne, Ind.
Gekeler, A., Waukesha, Wis.
Gerhard, C. S., Reading, Pa.
Gerhard, D. W., New Holland, Lanc. Co., Pa.
Gerhard, G. W., Lock Haven, Pa.
Gerhard, W. T., Lancaster, Pa.
Gerhart, Dr. E. V., Prof., Lancaster, Pa.
Gerhart, H. L., Worcester, Montg. Co., Pa.
Gerhart, R. L., Lewisburg, Union Co., Pa.
Gernant, E. A., Allentown, Pa.
Gersman, H., Jeffersonville, Ind.
Glessner, Dr. G. W., Shippensburg, Pa.
Gonser, A., West Salem, O.
Good, Charles W., Tiffin, O.
Good, Dr. J. H., Prof., Tiffin, O.
Good, Jas. I., 1515 N. 19th st., Phila., Pa.
Good, R., Prof., Tiffin, O.
Goodrich, W., Clearspring, Wash. Co., Md.
Goss, Sabast'n C., Wadsworth, Medina Co., O.
Grädel, Gott., Stafford, Oregon.
Graeff, I. E., Tamaqua, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Graf, J. F., Wathena, Kan.
Grant, Jas., Bradenville, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Grauel, Julius, Owatonna, Minn.
Greding, Dr. P., Beaver Dam, Ohio.
Greenwald, D. J., Sabetha, Brown Co., Kan.
Grether, Frank, Rhine, Sheboygan Co., Wis.
Grether, J. M., Beaver, Pike Co., Ohio.
Gring, A. D., 28 Tsukiji. Tokio, Japan.
Gring, J., Fredericksburg, Lebanon Co., Pa.
Gring, W. A., Somerset, Pa.
Grivelly, J., Boonsboro', Boon Co., Iowa.
Grob, Jean, Milwaukee, Wis.
Groh, Milton H., New Lisbon, Ohio.
Groh, Wm. H., Boalsburg, Centre Co., Pa.
Grosenbaugh, L., Three Rivers, Mich.
Gross, S. K., Schlichters, Bucks Co., Pa.
Grosshusch, T., Linton, Green Co., Ind.
Grosshusch, W., Franklin, Sheboy'n Co., Wis.
Gruber, J. J. M., Ada., Hardin Co., O.
Grueningen, J. J., Sauk City, Wis.
Grüenstein, E. E., Sharon, Mercer Co., Pa.
Guenther, A., 6th & N. sts., N.W. Wash., D. C.
Gumbert, C., Adams, Armstrong Co., Pa.
Gundlach, C., Rochester, N. Y.
Gurley, G. D., Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

Haas, W. A., Selinsgrove, Snyder Co., Pa.
Hacker, T. J., Shamokin, Northum. Co., Pa.
Hackman, W. G., Burr Oak, Mich.
Hahn, F. B., Greenville, Mercer Co., Pa.
Hahn, I. S., Nimisilla, Summit Co., O.
Hale, J. T., Fairfield, Green Co., O.
Hale, W. A., Dayton, Montgomery Co., O.
Hanhart, H., Delphos, Ohio.
Hansen, R., Huron, Erie Co., Ohio.
Hansen, W., 214 Russell st., Detroit, Mich.
Harnish, D. H., South Bend, Pa.
Hartman, C., Alameda, W. End., Cal.
Hartman, J. H., Lehighton, Carbon Co., Pa.
Hartman, S., West Union, Oregon.
Hartmetz, F. P., Archbold, Fulton Co., O.
Hartzell, G. P., Sunbury, Pa.
Hartzell, J. M., Chalfant, Bucks Co., Pa.
Hartzell, J. S., Wayne st., bel. Manheim, Germantown, Phila., Pa.
Hassler, A. N., Pulaski, Ohio.
Hassler, E. S., Butler, Butler Co. Pa.
Hassler, J., Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Pa.
Hauser, J. C., N. W. cor. Schroeder and Saratoga sts., Baltimore, Md.
Hauser, J., Black River Falls, Wis.
Hawker, Adam, Dayton, Ohio.
Hedrick, M. L., Silver Hill, N. C.
Heberle, J., St. Marys, Ohio.
Heckman. J., Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, O.
Heffley, J., Canal Winchester, Ohio.
Heilman, C. U., Elk Lick, Somerset Co., Pa.
Heilman, U. H., Mechanicsburg, Pa.
Heimberger, Charles T., Milltown, N. J.
Heinemann, A., Defiance, Defiance Co., O.
Heinze, Moritz, Bell Air, Belmont Co., O.
Heisler, Dr. D. Y., Easton, Northam. Co., Pa.
Helfrich, N. W. A., Fogelsville, Leh. Co., Pa.
Helfrich, Dr. W. A., Fogelsville, Leh. Co., Pa.
Heller, A. J., Adamstown Md. [Ind.
Helming, H., 39 N. Alabama st., Indianapolis,
Hench, Silas M., Walkersville, Fred. Co., Md.
Hendrickson, W. C., Norristown, Pa.
Henneman, J. H., Beaver, Pike Co., O.
Henning, G. W., Osnaburg, Ohio.
Henry, Austin, Canal Winchester, Ohio.
Henry, Jerome B., Prof. Pleasantville, O.
Henschen, E. W., Salzburg, Bay Co., Mich.
Hensell, J. C., Mt. Crawford, Va.
Hensell, L. M., St. Louis, Mo.
Herbert, W. H., Chambersburg, Pa.
Herbruck, Dr. Edward, Dayton, Ohio.
Herbruck, Emil P., Akron, Ohio.
Herbruck, Dr. P., Canton, Ohio.
Herbst, C. H., Pottstown, Pa.
Herman, A. J., Maxatawny, Berks Co., Pa.
Herman, Dr. H. M., Miamisburg, Ohio.
Herman, J. S., Kutztown, Berks Co., Pa.
Herman, L. C., Carlisle, Pa.
Herold, J., Youngstown, Mahoning Co., O.
Hershey, Dr. Scott F., Lancaster, O.
Heusser, H., Fountain City, Buffalo Co., Wis.
Heyser, H. C., 1757 Fulton st., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Hibschman, Dr. H. H. W., Tiffin, Ohio.
Hiester, E., Strausstown, Pa.
Hiester, Dr. J. E., Annville, Lebanon Co., Pa.
Higbee, Dr. E. E., Lebanon, Pa.
Hilbish, H., Hanover, York Co., Pa.
Hinske, E. R.. Ditto, St. Clair Co., Mo.
Hoffheins, J. A., Martinsburg, W. Va.
Hoffman, P. P. A., Reading, Pa.
Hoffmeier, H. W., Middletown, Md.
Hoffmeier, T. F., Middletown, Md.
Hofford, W. R., Allentown, Pa.
Holshouser, A. R., Lyons, Rice Co., Kan.
Horn, A. P., Newton, N. C.
Horstmeier, W. H., Terre Haute, Ind.
Hottenstein, A.R., Greenbriar, North'd Co., Pa.
Houpt, Wm. C., Venus, Venango Co., Pa.
House, G. H., Maquoketa, Iowa.
Houser, F. S., Erie Mich.
Houtz, A., Orangeville, Columbia Co., Pa.
Huber, S. M. K., Skippackville, Mont. Co., Pa.
Huber, T. A., Broadheadv'e, Monroe Co., Pa.
Huecker, B. R., Waukegan, Ill.
Huecker, J. C., Waukegan, Ill.
Hullhorst, C. G. A., Columbus, Neb.
Hullhorst, F., Clear Creek, Saund. Co., Neb.
Hunsberger, J. H., Fayette, Seneca Co., N. Y.
Hustedt, C. F. W., Haskins, Wood Co., O.

Ihle, Jacob, Bellevue, Ohio.
Ingle, J., Blowing Rock, N. C.
Ingold, J., Hickory, Cataw. Co., N. C.

Jannett, J. J., Freeport, Ill.
Janssen, Reemt, Edon, Williams Co., O.
Joerris, Peter, Poland, Clay Co., Ind.
Johnson, J.O., Schuyl. Haven, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Johnston, G. H., 2114 Norris st., Phila., Pa.
Johnston, Dr. T. S., Lebanon, Pa.

Kanne, A., Lacrosse, Wis.
Keener, H. F., Berlin, Somerset Co., Pa.
Kefauver. Dr. L. H., Tiffin, O.
Kehm, J., Sellersville, Bucks Co., Pa.
Keller, C. F., 181 Hastings st., Chicago, Ills.
Keller, Eli, Zionsville, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Keller, H., Bellefonte, Pa.
Keller, Jos. A., Randolph, Portage Co., O.
Keller, Reu , Erie, Monroe Co., Mich.
Keller, R. V., Germano, O.
Kemm, L. R., Schleisingerville, Wis.

Kemmerer, Dr. D., Wooster, O.
Kendig, John M., Canfield, O.
Kercher, J., La Rose, Marshall Co., Ills.
Keru, A., Monticello, Jones Co., Iowa. [Pa.
Kerschner, G. W., Stroudsburg, Monroe Co.,
Kerschner, J. B., Millersb'g. Dauph. Co., Pa.
Kerschner, J. B., Prof., Emmitsburg, Md.
Kerschner, L. M., Apple Creek, Wayne Co., O.
Kerschner, Wm. J., Reading, Pa.
Kessler, Tobias, Jonestown, Pa.
Kerstetter, J. M., Louisville, Ohio.
Kester, J., Carothers, Seneca Co., Ohio.
Keyser, H. A., Mahanoy City, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Kieffer, Harry M., Norristown, Pa.
Kieffer, John B., Prof. Lancaster, Pa.
Kieffer, J. Spangler, Hagerstown, Md.
Kieffer, Dr. M. Gettysburg, Pa.
King, Hiram, Somerset, Pa.
King, Henry, Baltimore, Ohio.
Kirchhefer, R., Loran, Ills.
Klar, J. C., Navarre, Stark Co., O.
Klein, D. G., Clearville, Bedford Co., Pa.,
Klein, J., Schuyl. Haven, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Klein, Dr. J. H., Galion, Crawford Co., O.
Kline, Alpha K., Elderton, Armst'g Co., Pa.
Klingler, J., Up. Sandusky, Wyandot Co., O.
Klopp, Dr. D. E., 1541 N. 7th st., Phila, Pa.
Kluge, J. T., Sheboygan, Wis.
Knappenberger, J. W., Mercersburg, Pa.
Knepper, B., Wellersburg, Somerset Co., Pa.
Knepper, C., Mansfield Valley, Alleg. Co., Pa.
Knepper, C. O., Prof., Tiffin, O.
Knie, J., Leslie, Van Wert Co., O.
Knieriem, J., Prairie City, Bates Co., Mo
Kniest, J. B., 71 Locust st., Buffalo, N. Y.
Knipe, J. B., Chester Springs, Chest. Co., Pa.
Kohl, Peter, Ai, Fulton Co., O.
Kohler, S. S., Belbend, Luzerne Co., Pa.
Kohler, W., Dalhgreen, Minn.
Konetzka, Augustus, Fostoria, O.
Koplin, A. B., Hellertown, N'tham'n Co., Pa.
Korthüer, Dr. H., Bucyrus, Crawford Co., O.
Krahn, Albert, Wabasha, Minn.
Krebs, W. E., Prof., Allentown, Pa.
Kremer, Dr. A. H., Carlisle, Pa.
Kremer, A. R., Winchester, Freder'k Co., Va.
Kremer, Ellis N., Bedford, Pa.
Kremer, Dr. F. W., Lebanon, Pa.
Kremer, L. G., Hagerstown, Md.
Kretzing, J., Littlestown, Adams Co., Pa.
Kreuter, Albert, Lima, Peru., S. A.
Kriete, Chas. F., Fort Wayne, Ind.
Kroh, Daniel, Toledo, O.
Krout, A. F., Stone Church, Nort'n Co., Pa.
Krüger, J. H., Maysville, Ky.
Kuckermann, F. W. H., New Knoxville, O.
Kuenzler, F., Waukesha, Wis.
Kuhl, J. G., Covington, Ky.
Kuhlen, G., Vermillion, Erie Co., O.
Kuhn, J., Millersburg, Iowa Co., Iowa.
Kuhn, O., Donop, Wayne Co., Neb.
Kuhn, S., Elizabethville, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Kunz, Rudolph, Hazleton, Pa.
Kurtz, Dr. H., Plymouth, Wis.
Kurtz, J. C. J., Shamokin, Northum. Co., Pa.
Kurtzman, G., Rochester, Minn.
Kuelling, Dr. J., 213 N. 38th st., Phila., Pa.
Kunzel, W. G., Lowell, Dodge Co Wis.
Kunzler, F., Waukesha, Wis.
Kuss, C., 417 Sherman st., Buffalo, N. Y.

Lady, D. B., Manor Stat'n, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Lahr, L. B. C., Kingston, Ohio.
Lake, O. E., Shelby, O.
Land, T. S., Turbotville, North'd Co., Pa.
Landis, W. M., Beaver Springs, Pa.
Lange, J., Portland, Oregon.
Lantz, Daniel, Foreston, Ill.
Laury, S. F., Codorus, York Co., Pa.
Leader, D. H., Du Bois, Clearfield Co., Pa.
Leberman, D. D., Meadville, Crawf. Co., Pa.
Leberman, J. J., Louisville, O.
Leberman, L. D., N. East Cor. 7th & Girard Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
Lefever, D. P., Imogene, Fremont Co., Iowa.
Lefever, Wm. D., Stoystown, Somerset Co., Pa.
Leich, F. P., Riceville, Washington Co., Wis.
Leinbach, A. S., Reading, Pa.
Leinbach, J. C., Riegelsville, Bucks Co., Pa.
Leinbach, J. H., Reading, Pa.
Leinbach, S. A., Reading, Berks Co., Pa.
Leinbach, T. C., Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa
Leiss, A. H., Kentland, Ind.
Leisse, H., Orwigsburg, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Leonard, G. H., Basil, Fairfield Co., O.
Lepp, A., Morges Cb. de Vandt, Switzerland.
Lerch, J. V., Canal Fulton, O.
Leutzinger, H., Sturgis, Michigan.
Levan, C. W., Ridgeley, Md.
Levan, F. K., Wilkesbarre, Luzerne Co., Pa
Lewis, Jas. R., Duncannon, Pa.
Lichtliter, W. F., Lancaster, Pa.
Limberg, C. A., Butler, Butler Co., Pa.
Lindaman, F. S. Blain, Perry Co., Pa.
Lippard, J. H., Anna, Ills.
Lisberger, R., Bath, Northampton Co., Pa.
Lohman, A., Kiel, Wis.
Lohr, O. T., Bisrampore, East India.
Long, H. F., James Creek, Hunt. Co., Pa.
Long, P. A., Taneytown, Md.
Long, S. C., Central City, Iowa.
Long, T., Salem, N. C.
Long, W. A., Lima, O.
Loos, G., Potter's Mills, Columet Co., Wis.
Loos, I. K., Bethlehem, Pa.
Loose, N. H., Bellevue, Huron Co., O.
Loose, J. S., Bridgewater, Va.
Loucks, Michael, Dayton, O.
Love, J. W., Greenburg, Pa.
Luscher, W., Triadelphia, W. Va.

Mabry, J. W., Cherryville, Northam Co., Pa.
Marcus, W. F., Crestline, O.
Martin, C. T., Franklin, Sheboygan Co., Wis.
Martin, Dr. Geo. H., Woodstock, Va.
Massalsky, G. B., Brady's Bend, Pa.
Mase, Silas B., Massillon, O.
Masenheimer, A. M., Weatherly, Car. Co., Pa
Matter, J., Norwood, Wis.
Matzinger, I., Clay City, Clay Co., Ind.
Matzke, H., Baileysville, Ills.
Mauger, S. P., Kimberton, Chester Co., Pa.
Maurer, F., Pulcifer, Washing'n Co., Wis.
May, Josiah, Butler, Butler Co., Pa.
Mayer, L. J., Boyertown, Berks Co., Pa.
McCauley, Dr. C. F., Reading, Pa.
McConnell, J., Salina, Westmoreland Co., Pa.
Mease, Dr. Samuel, 59 Bryant st., Chicago, Ill.
Mechling, Geo. Z., Hamilton, O.
Mechtersheimer, G., Napa City, Cal.
Meckel, S. C., Wilkesbarre, Luz. Co., Pa.
Meckley, J., Petersburg, Mahoning Co., O.
Metzger, B. S., Pine Grove, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Meier, H. A., Watertown, Wis.
Merze, A., Kelso, Sibley Co., Minn.
Michael, J., Winamac, Pulaski Co., Ind.
Mickley, J. M., Newburg, Cumberl'd Co., Pa.
Miller, E. D., Upper Sandusky, O.
Miller, J. D., Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa.
Miller, Dr. J. O., York, Pa.
Miller, M. A., Carrollton, O.
Miller, N. J., Lancaster, Pa.
Miller, Simon S., Boonsboro', Md.
Miller, Wm. A., Carrollton, Ohio.
Millett. J. K., McEwensville, Pa.
Mishler, M. H., Rheinhold's Station, Pa.
Mohr, F. J., Quakertown, Bucks Co., Pa.
Moore, J. P., No. 4 Tsukiji, Tokio, Japan.
Mosebach, F., Garner, Hancock Co., Iowa.
Mosser, H., Reading, Pa.
Motter, I. M., Waynesboro', Frank. Co., Pa.
Mühlmeier, Dr. H. A., Franklin, Sheboygan Co., Wis.
Müllhaupt, J., Salem, Marion Co., Oregon.
Mull, George F., Prof., Lebanon, Pa.
Müller, Martin, Fostoria, O,
Murraine, J. B., Mt. Eaton, O.
Musser, C. J., St. Clairsville, Pa.
Mutchler, C. H., Dushore, Sullivan Co., Pa.
Myers, S. P., Kentland, Ind.

Naille, J., Lyons, Iowa.
Nau, H., Mt. Eaton, Wayne Co., O.
Neef, G. L., Lancaster, Pa.
Neff, J. D., Fostoria, O.
Neff, J. G., Bangor, Pa.
Neuber, J. G., 1532 E. Mont. ave., Phila., Pa.
Nevin, Dr. J. W., Lancaster, Pa.
Niehoff, J., Titusville, Pa.
Noll, Moritz, Rogersville, Tuscarawas Co., O.
North, John M., Mercersburg, Pa.
Noss, J. G., Silver Run, Carroll Co., Md.
Novinger, J. A., N. Bedford, Coshoc'n Co., O.

Oechser, J. C., Norwood, Carver Co., Minn.
Oplinger, R. F., Grove City, Ind.
Orth, Jacob, Yankton, Dakota.
Otting, E. H., Warren, Trumbull Co., O.

Pannebecker, J. H., Elizabeth'n, Lan. Co.,Pa.
Peightal, I. N., Pattonville, Bedford Co., Pa.
Pennypacker, J. J., London Mercer Co., Pa.
Peters, M., Galesville, Wis.
Peters, W. J., Slatington, Pa.
Peters, J. A., Lancaster, Pa.
Pilgram, F., Greenville, Mercer Co., Pa.
Poerner, J. B., ——
Pontius, J. W., Cochrantown, Crawf. Co., Pa.
Porter, Dr. Thos. C., Prof., Easton, Pa.
Potts, J. V., Bradford, O.
Praikschatis, L., Cleveland, O.
Prugh, J. H., 117 Penna. ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Prugh, Peter C., Butler, Pa.

Rahauser, R., York, York Co., Pa.
Rauch, J. W., Martinsburg, W. Va.
Ream, Sol., Tremont City, Clarke Co., O.
Reber, J. A., Cressona, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Reber, T. N., Macungie, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Reichard, Richard B., Springboro', O.
Reiche, G. J., Aurora, Ind. [Co., Pa.
Reily, Dr. W. M., Prof., Myerstown, Lebanon
Reinecke, Dr. E. W., Nazareth, Pa.
Reiter, C. H., Shirleysburg, Pa.
Reiter, D. H., Fulton, Kalamazoo Co., Mich.
Reiter, Dr. I. H., Miamisburg, O.
Remegen, Geo. W., Navarre, O.
Resser, Geo. B., Emmitsburg, Md.
Rettig, George, Monticello, Iowa.
Rettig, J., Fort Wayne, Ind.
Reuter, W., Monroeville, O.
Richards, J., Lindsay, O.
Riegel, Daniel, Dillsburg, York Co., Pa.
Ricke, Herman, Jeffersonville, Ind.
Rike, Levi, Heno, O. [Co., Va.
Rinker, H., St. John, Lovettsville, Loudon
Rittenhouse, C. A., Trappe, Mont. Co., Pa.
Rodrock, W. D. C., Blairstown, N. J.
Roeck, J., Ebenezer, Erie Co., N. Y.
Roeder, S. M., Centre Hall, Centre Co., Pa.
Roentgen, S. H. C., 105 Fulton st., Cleve'd, O.
Roesch, J. J., Titusville, Crawford Co., Pa.
Romeis, J., Van Dyne, Antigo, Wis.
Romich, A., Philadelphia, Pa.
Rossiter, J. T., 208 N. Calvert st., Baltim're, Md.
Roth, G. W., Ottsville, Bucks Co., Pa.
Rothtrock, D., Kintnersville, Bucks Co., Pa.
Rothtrock, J. J., Freeland, Luzerne Co., Pa.
Rowland, M, S., Lansdale, Mont. Co., Pa.
Ruetenik, Dr., H. J., Cleveland, Ohio.
Ruetenik, N., Buck Run, Adams Co., O.
Ruhl, J., Frostburg, Md.
Ruhl, J. B. S., Waynesburg, Ohio.
Ruhl, J. G., Findlay, Hancock Co., O.
Ruhl, P., Prospect, Marion Co., O.
Runkle, S. R., Wilton, Iowa.
Rupley, F. A., Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa.
Rupp, W., Manchester, Carroll Co., Md.
Russell, Dr. G. B., Zullinger, Frank. Co., Pa.
Rust, Dr. H., Prof., Tiffin, O.
Rust, John B., Waynesburg, O.
Rusterholz, H., Bluffton, Allen Co., O.

Saible, G. P., Glassboro', N. J.
Sandoe, H. H., Baltimore, Fairfield Co., O.
Sandoe, W. B., Ringtown, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
Sangree, Harry H., Alexandria, Pa.
Sangree, M. H., Alexandria, Hunt'don Co., Pa.
Santee, Dr. J. W., Cavet'n, Wash'ton Co., Md.
Sauerber, Fred. J., York, Pa.
Schaad, F., Bakersville, Coshocton Co., O.
Schaaf, C., 59 W. Wash'ton st., Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Schaaf, C. M., North Lima, Mahoning Co., O.
Shade, A. E. F., 19 Smith ave., 14th Ward, Cleveland, Ohio.
Schaefer, D., Norwood, Minn.
Schaefer, F., Neosho, Mo.
Schaefer, Wm., Baltimore, Md.
Schaeffer, Dr. N. C., Prof., Kutztown, Pa.
Schaeffer, W. C., Danville, Montour Co., Pa.
Schafer, Sol. B., Manheim, Lancaster Co., Pa.
Schatz, Joseph S., Millville, Ohio.
Scheel, C., Middle Lancaster, Butler Co., Pa.
Scheer, G. A., 2250 North 5th st., Phila., Pa.
Scheidt, C., Timothy P. O., Wis.
Scheidt, E., Northeim, Manitowoc Co., Wis.
Schelly, Percy Y., Hamburg, Berks Co., Pa.
Schenk, H., Wayne, Washington Co., Wis.
Schick, G. B., Clarence, Erie Co., N. Y.
Schick, J. M., Meyersdale, Somerset Co., Pa.
Schiedt, Rich., Prof., Portland, Oregon.
Schiller, C., 30 Scott st., Toledo, Ohio.
Schlappig, J. H., Kresgeville, Pa.
Schmid, J. G., Evansville, Ind.
Schmitt, C. Alliance, Ohio.
Schneck, A., Horn, Jasper Co., Iowa.
Schneder, D. B., Marietta, Pa.
Schoedler, D. E., Oley, Berks Co., Pa.
Schoepfie, C. H., Birmingham, Erie Co., O.
Schorer, E. F., Twin Creek, Kansas.
Schory, P. D., Lancaster, Ohio.
Schroeder, A., Rochester, N. Y.
Schroth, D., Helvetia, Randolph Co., W. Va.
Schultz, C. W., Camden, N. J.
Schultz, James A., Reading, Pa.
Schwartz, F. H., Robesonia, Berks Co., Pa.
Schwartz, L. B., 157 Charles st., Boston, Mass.
Schwichtenberg, H. A., Piqua, Miami Co., O.
Schwedes, F. R., Cumberland, Md.
Sechler, John H., Centre Sq., Mont. Co., Pa.
Sechler, Jos., Lena, Stephenson Co., Ill.
Seipel, H. F., Lansdale, Mont. Co., Pa.
Seitz, J. A., Liberty, Centre, O.
Seyring, A., Rising Sun, Ind.
Shade, J. S., Summum, Fulton Co., Ill.
Shaw, S., Bloomville, Seneca Co., O.
Sheip, L. C., Doylestown, Bucks Co., Pa.
Shenkle, A. B., Millersville, Lanc. Co., Pa.
Shepler, J. R., Nimisilla, O.
Shoemaker, D. O., Walker, Centre Co., Pa.
Shoemaker, E. D., Bedford, Bedford Co., Pa.
Shoemaker, J. G., West Alexandria, O.
Shontz, J. B., Shippensburg, Pa.
Shorer, E. F., Twin Creek, Astoria Co., Kan.
Shuey, D. B., Emporia, Kan.
Shuford, J. H., Altemont, Ills.
Shuford, M. L., Burkittsville, Md.
Shulenberger, A., Mt. Pleasant, Frederick Co., Md.
Shulenberger, W. C. B., St. Petersburg, Pa.
Shultz, W. H., Springboro', O.
Shumaker, Hiram, Holton, Kan.
Shumaker, Dr. J. B., Lancaster, Pa.
Siegel, C. W. E., Houtzdale, Pa.
Sites, Isaac A., Fairview, Ind.
Skinner, J. R., Bremen, Fairfield Co., O.
Skyles, N. H., Jefferson, Fred'k Co., Md.
Slagle, C. S., Cessna, Bedford Co., Pa.
Smith, F. W., Tannersville, Pa.
Smith, G. W. H., Xenia, O.
Smith, J. A., Anamosa, Jones Co., Iowa.
Smith, J. E., Bath, Northampton Co., Pa.
Smith, M. A., Nazareth, Northampton Co., Pa.
Smith, R. R., York, Pa.
Smith, Wm., Fort Seneca, Seneca Co., O.
Snyder, G. W., Harrisburg, Pa.
Snyder, J. F, Manor Dale, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Snyder, N. Z., S. Bethlehem, Northamp'n Co.,
Snyder, W. H. H., Harrisburg, Pa. [Pa.
Sommer, G., 143 Conseyla st., Brook'n, E. D., NY.
Sontag, C. F., 806 "H" st., N. W. Washington, D. C.
Sorber, G. S., Vincent, Chester Co., Pa.
Souder, G. H., Greenville, O.
Souder, J. M., New Providence, Lanc. Co., Pa.
Spangler, Aaron, York, Pa.
Spangler, E., Edgarton, Williams Co., O.
Spangler, H. T., Landisburg, Perry Co., Pa.
Spangler, P. J., Edgarton, Ohio.
Spies, Wm., Lafayette, Ind.
Stahr, I. S., Applebachsville, Pa.
Stahr, Dr. J. S., Prof., Lancaster, Pa.
Staley, Dr. G. L., Knoxville, Fred'k Co., Md.
Stambaugh, L. D., Font, Chester Co., Pa.
Stauffer, A. S., Hummelstown, Dauph. Co., Pa.
Stauffer, T. F., Butler, Butler Co., Pa.
Stauss, H., West Union, Oregon.
Stechow, Wm., Stone Creek, O.
Steckel, L. D., Pottsville, Pa.
Steele, James H., Mohican, Ohio.
Stein, J. P., Millersville, Pa.
Steiner, J., Millerstown, Ohio.
Steinert, J. C., Centre Point, Clay Co., Ind.
Steinmetz, J. W., Reading, Pa.
Stem, T. O., Easton, Northampton Co., Pa.
Stepler, John H., Lima, Ohio.
Stern, Herman I., Cincinnati, O. [Ind.
Stern, M. G. I., 30 Park ave., Indianapolis,
Stewart, W. I., Everett, Bedford Co., Pa.
Steinecker, W. H. W., Medina, Wisconsin.
Stibitz, G. W., Shenandoah, Pa.
Stoner, A. B., 2422 Reese st., Philadelphia, Pa.
Strassburger, N. S., Allentown, Pa.
Strassner, F., Orrville, Wayne Co., O.
Strunck, O. H., Bloomsburg, Columb. Co., Pa.
Stuck, J., Hillgrove, O.
Stump, Fred. W., Richville, Ohio.

Summey, C. W., Timberville, Va.
Super, Dr. W. H., Professor, Collegeville, Pa.
Swander, J. I., Fremont Co., Ohio.
Sweitzer, S., Lincoln, Lancaster Co., Pa.

Tallhelm, H., Edenburg, Shen. Co., Va.
Taylor, Daniel R., Northampton, O.
Terborg, J. E., 495 4th st., Milwaukee, Wis.
Thomas, S., Bunker Hill, Russell Co., Kan.
Thompson, A. R., Stone Church, North'n
Titzel, Dr. J. M., Altoona, Pa. [Co., Pa.
Tobias, D. C., Lititz, Lancaster Co., Pa.
Toensmeier, Aug., Ironton, Lawrence Co., O.
Transue, S., Williamsport, Pa.
Trautman, H., 19 Louis st., Cleveland, O.
Trexler, P. M., Lancaster, Pa.
Trieber, M., Sandusky, O.
Truxal, Albert E., Irwin, Westm'd Co., Pa.
Tucker, B. F., Bloom Centre, O.

Uhlmann, W., New Berne, Dodge Co., Wis.

Vandersloot, F. E., Herndon, Fairfax Co., Va.
Van Haagan, J., Collegeville, Pa. [adelphia.
Van Horne, Dr. D., 1140 Mt. Vernon st., Phil-
Vaughan, A. S., Hickory, Catawba Co., N. C.
Veenker, G., Wein, Marathon Co., Wis.
Vitz, M., St. Paul, Minn.
Vitz, O., Vera Cruz, Wells Co., Ind.
Vitz, P., Vera Cruz, Wells Co., Ind.
Voegelin, John, Dunkirk, N. Y.
Vogt, Dr. John, Delaware, O. [Wis.
Vriesen, D. W., Johnsonville, Sheboygan Co.,

Wagner, J. S., Williamsport, Pa.
Wagner, Dr. S. G., Allentown, Pa.
Wagner, S. T., Glencoe, Somerset Co., Pa.
Walenta, W., 1216 Taney st., Phila. Pa.
Waldecker, C. F., 617 Montgomery ave., San Francisco, Cal.
Wanner, Dr. Aaron, York, Pa.
Warren, B., Deckert, Franklin Co., Tenn.
Wasnich, W., Pulaski, Williams Co., O.
Weaver, R. C., Coopersburg, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Weber, A. S., Westminster, Md.
Weber, G., Vinton, Benton Co., Iowa.
Wegert, H., Denver, Col.
Weidner, U. H., Montgomery Square, Pa.
Weiser, Dr. C. Z., E. Greenville, Mont. Co., Pa.
Weiss, Benj., Lenhartsville, Berks Co., Pa.
Weisz, Dr. I. S., York, Pa. [N. C.
Welker, Dr. G. W., Shaw's Mills, Guilford Co.
Welker, H. J., Coopersburg, Lehigh Co., Pa.
Weller, O. C., Missouri Valley, Iowa.
Welty, E., M. D., Middlebrook, Va.
Wernly, J., 3300 S. Park ave., Chicago, Ills.
Wettach, E. D., Reedsburg, O.
Wetzel, Frank, Prof., Dakota, Ill.
Whitmer, A. C., Mifflinburg, Union Co., Pa.
Whitmore, G. A., Rinkerton, Shen. Co., Va.
Whitmore, S. L., Middlebrook, Va.
Wiant, J. F., Monroe, Clarion Co., Pa.
Wickert, J. A., St. Thomas, Pa. [Pa.
Wieand, C. S., Prof., E. Greenville, Mont. Co.,
Wiehle, Dr. J. G., 3102 Hamilton st., Phila., Pa.
Wiers, N., Cleveland, O.
Williams, E. G., Canaan, Ohio.
Willard, E. R., Germantown, Ohio.
Willard, Dr. G. W., Prof., Tiffin, O.
Winter, J., New Winchester, Crawf'd Co., O.
Winters, Dr. David, Dayton, O.
Winters, T. H., Xenia, Green Co., O.
Wirz, J., Tomah, Wis.
Wisner, C., New Philadelphia, O.
Wissler, H., Mechanicstown, Fred'k Co., Md.
Wittenwieler, W., Monticello, Iowa.
Witthoff, F. C., Petersburg, O.
Woehler, E. Th., Appleton, Wis.
Wolbach, J., Dakota, Stephenson Co., Ills.
Wolbach, John, Troutville, Clearf'd Co., Pa.
Wolff, D. M., Professor, Penn Hall, Centre Co., Pa.
Wolff, D. U., New Oxford, Adams Co., Pa.
Wolff, Dr. G., Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.
Wolff, Simon, Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa.

Xanders, Wm. H., Mulberry, Ind.

Yearick, W. R., Walker, Centre Co., Pa.
Yearick, Z. A., Aaronsburg, Centre Co., Pa.
Yockey, S. B., Xenia, Ohio.
Yost, F. C., Milton, Pa.
Young, J. C., 33 Henry st., Cleveland, O.
Young, J. E., Jonesville, Iowa.

Zacharias, G. M., Harrisburg, Pa.
Zacharias, G. R., Upper Strasburg, Pa.
Zahner, Dr. J. G., Shanesville, Tuscarawas
Zartman, Allen K., Goshen, Ind. [Co., O
Zartman, R. C., Wooster, O.
Zehring, J. D., Codorus, York Co., Pa.
Zellers, Geo. A., Minersville, Pa.
Zenke, Ludwig, Kiel, Manitowoc Co., Wis.
Zerbe, A. S., Prof., Tiffin, Seneca Co., O.
Zieber, W. K., Dr. Hanover, York Co., Pa.
Ziegler, A. F., Bingen, Northampton Co., Pa.
Ziegler, J., York, Pa.
Ziegler, J., Avenue City, Andrew Co., Mo.
Ziegler, L., Manitowoc, Wis.
Ziegler, W. H., Goshen, Ind.
Zimmerman, S. D., Galion, Crawford Co., O.
Zinck, H. K., Stone Creek, Tuscarawas Co., O.
Zindler, Gottl., Manitowoc, Wis.
Zinkhan, L. F., Room 6, 51½ St. Paul st., Baltimore, Md.
Zipf, C. G., 396 Aaron st., Cleveland, O.
Zuercher, J. U., Swiss, Mo.
Zumpe, J. B., Youngstown, O.

DECEASED MINISTERS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1882, TO AUGUST 31, 1883.

NAMES.	LICENSED.	ORDAINED.	RESIDENCE.	TIME OF DEATH.	AGE. Y.	M.	D.
J. S. STONER	1877	1879	Wooster, Ohio	Sept. 1, 1882	29	1	4
J. B. THOMPSON	1848	1848	Canaan, Ohio	Oct. 16, 1882	62	2	7
J. NICOLAI	. .	. .	Abilene, Kas.	Nov. 20, 1882	61	3	13
PAUL RUETENIK	. . .	. .	Clay City, Neb.	Nov. 23, 1882	.	.	.
J. SAML. VANDERSLOOT	1875	1877	Philadelphia, Pa.	Dec. 6, 1882	43	1	16
JACOB WEAVER	1847	1847	Sidney, Ohio	Dec. 28, 1882	72	11	.
CHARLES CAST	. .	. .	Egg Harbor, N. J.	Jan. 2, 1883	68	.	.
A. J. WHITMORE	1876	1876	Kerr's Creek, Va.	Jan. 6, 1883	36	6	26
H. A. FRIEDEL	1851	1851	Harrisburg, Pa.	Jan. 15, 1883	60	.	.
CHRISTIAN KELLER	. .	. .	Bridesburg, Phila., Pa.	Feb. 2, 1883	.	.	.
HENRY S. BASSLER	1829	1829	Millersburg, Pa.	Feb. 17, 1883	78	6	6
J. HANNABERRY	1854	1854	Ridgely, Md.	Feb. 27, 1883	58	.	.
D. M. WHITMORE	1875	1875	Martinsburg, W. Va.	March 4, 1883	30	10	9
SAML. B. LEITER, D. D.	18 5	1835	Wadsworth, O.	April 1, 1883	73	11	11
PETER TENDICK	1858	1858	Attica, O.	April 11, 1883	56	10	5
JOHN PENCE	1824	1824	Tremont, O.	April 18, 1883	83	4	8
HIRAM SHAULL	1844	1844	Sydney, O.	April 23, 1883	64	1	9
DIEDRICH WILLERS, D. D.	1821	1821	Varick, N. Y.	May 13, 1883	86	.	.
HENRY MILLER	1833	1835	Waynesboro, Pa.	May 29, 1883	76	.	3
W. F. P. DAVIS	1863	1863	Reading, Pa.	June 11, 1883	51	8	10
G. H. ZUMPE	. .	. .	Terre Haute, Ind.	June 17, 1883	80	6	25
CHAS. H. LEINBACH, D. D.	1841	1841	Stouchsburg, Pa.	July 15, 1883	67	9	8

One Price

Largest Stock of Pianos and Organs in America.
Representing the Leading Makers of
the World.

C. J. Heppe
Pianos & Organs
Cor. 6 & Thompson Sts.
1106 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia.

Send for
Catalogue.

ESTABLISHED 1838.

DREER'S GARDEN SEEDS
ALWAYS FRESH & RELIABLE.

The Subscriber begs leave to offer a Strain of

Vegetable and Flower Seeds,

Which, in point of Purity, Vitality and Superior Quality, shall not be equalled by any. Special offers are made to furnish Market Gardeners and Amateurs who appreciate the value of good seeds, and whose trade remains steadfast. A trial is invited, and as a guide will mail Dreer's Garden Calendar, containing complete lists of Vegetable and Flower Seeds and Plants, to the address of any one interested in Horticulture.

HENRY A. DREER,

Seedsman and Florist,

714 CHESTNUT ST., • • PHILAD'A, PA.

ALLENTOWN
FEMALE COLLEGE.

An Institution under the auspices of the Reformed Church for the education exclusively of Young Ladies, open to persons of all denominations. The President, who resides in the building, is assisted by six experienced Teachers. Course of Study full—English Branches, Mathematics and Latin; French and German; Drawing and Painting; Music (piano, cabinet organ, voice, and harmony). Location healthful, grounds beautiful. Boarding good, and rooms well furnished.

For further particulars, address the President,

Rev. WALTER E. KREBS, A. M.,
ALLENTOWN, PA.

Greensburg Seminary

THIS Institution was founded in 1874, by the PITTSBURG SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH. It is located at

Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., Pa.

It is a Church-School, and as such, aims especially to subserve the interests of the higher education of the daughters of the Reformed Church, as well as to promote Christian education generally. It affords superior advantages in all the branches of a liberal education for young ladies. Special attention is given to

——*MUSIC AND THE ART STUDIES.*——

The Ornamental Branch is a prominent feature of the institution. Seven well qualified teachers are employed in the various departments of instruction. The discipline is *mild, but firm.*

The Accommodations are good, the Charges Moderate.

A **Male Department** has also been opened in the institution. The provisions of this department do not interfere with the original design of the school as a *Female Seminary.* It is intended also to afford the advantages of a High School education to young men. The course of studies is similar to that of our best Colleges, and the instructions are *thorough and practical.* The standard of scholarship is high. The institution is in every respect a *first class School.*

THE SCHOOL YEAR IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SESSIONS:

THE FIRST SESSION always opens the *First Wednesday of September,* continues fifteen weeks.

THE SECOND SESSION always opens the *First Wednesday after New Year,* and continues twenty-four weeks, including one week's recess about Easter.

For Information and Terms, address Rev. LUCIAN CORT, Principal.

READING
PIPE ORGAN MANUFACTORY.

The great satisfaction that my organs have given to all who have bought them, and the large number of testimonials that I have received from the best organists, musicians, clergymen, &c., has induced me to renew and redouble my efforts to make every new and valuable improvement in organ building. Specimens of my work will be found in the following churches, among many others:

Second Reformed Church . . . . . Reading, Pa.
Zion's Reformed Church . . . . . Chambersburg, Pa.
St. Paul's Reformed Church . . . Lancaster, Pa.
St. John's Lutheran Church . . . Allentown, Pa.
Church of Transfiguration, ... Pottstown, Pa.
First Lutheran Church . . . . . Harrisburg, Pa.
Christ Lutheran Church . . . . . Easton, Pa.
First Lutheran Church . . . . . Altoona, Pa.
St. James Lutheran Church . . . Reading, Pa.
Fifth M. E. Church . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
Union Church . . . . . Swartzwald, Pa.

And Many others.

All the latest improved mechanical appliances, and the best pipes in the country are used in the construction of my organs.

All work guaranteed and furnished at lowest rates.

SAMUEL BOHLER, Reading, Pa.

GRANT, FAIRES & RODGERS,

ELECTROTYPERS AND PRINTERS,

54 NORTH SIXTH STREET,

PHILADELPHIA.

ESTIMATES FOR ALL KINDS OF LETTER PRESS PRINTING FURNISHED ON APPLICATION.

MASON & HAMLIN ORGANS

A Cable Dispatch announces that at the

INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION,

(1883) NOW IN PROGRESS (1883) AT

AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS,

THESE ORGANS HAVE BEEN AWARDED THE

GRAND DIPLOMA OF HONOR,

Being the VERY HIGHEST AWARD, RANKING ABOVE the GOLD MEDAL, and GIVEN ONLY FOR EXCEPTIONAL SUPER-EXCELLENCE.

Thus is continued the Unbroken Series of Triumphs of these Organs

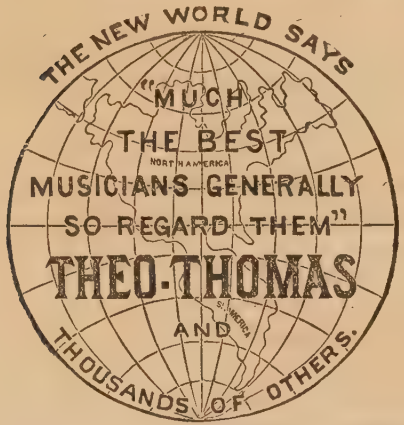
AT EVERY GREAT WORLD'S INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION FOR SIXTEEN YEARS,

No other American Organs having been found equal to them in any.

THE RECORD OF TRIUMPHS OF MASON & HAMLIN ORGANS in such severe and prolonged comparisons by the BEST JUDGES OF SUCH INSTRUMENTS IN THE WORLD now stands: at

PARIS, 1867 FRANCE.	VIENNA, 1873 AUSTRIA.	SANTIAGO, 1875 CHILI.	PHILA., 1876 U. S. AMER.	PARIS, 1878 FRANCE.	MILAN, 1881 ITALY.	AMSTERDAM, 1883 NETHERLANDS.

THE TESTIMONY OF MUSICIANS IS EQUALLY EMPHATIC.



A NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE FOR 1883-84,

(dated October 1883), is now ready and will be sent free; including MANY NEW STYLES—the best assortment and most attractive organs we have ever offered. ONE HUNDRED STYLES are fully described and illustrated, adapted to all uses, in plain and elegant cases in natural woods, and superbly decorated in gold, silver, and colors. Prices, $22 for the smallest size, but having as much power as any single reed organ, and the characteristic Mason & Hamlin excellence, up to $900 for the largest size. 50 styles between $100 and $200. *Sold also for easy payments.* Catalogues free.

THE MASON & HAMLIN ORGAN AND PIANO CO.,

154 Tremont Street, Boston; 46 East 14th Street, (Union Square), New York; 149 Wabash Avenue, Chicago.

SPIRITUAL SONGS
FOR THE
SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

A new and revised edition is now ready of this remarkably successful Sunday-school music book which has come into such general use among Sunday-schools of the Reformed Church. It gives the highest satisfaction everywhere. The superintendent of a Reformed Sunday-school at Grand Rapids, Mich., writes:

"There has a marked change taken place in the Sunday-school, the scholars taking more interest in the singing, it being more spiritual and hearty since the introduction of SPIRITUAL SONGS than at any time previous."

A year ago, with the idea of further increasing its usefulness, a *HYMN EDITION* was issued, cloth bound, and costing but 20 cents. The price of the tune edition, in full cloth, was 40 cents in quantities. Now, with the issue of the revised edition, we have, after considerable experimenting, prepared a new style of binding, by which we are able to announce a *REDUCTION IN PRICE OF TUNE-BOOKS* to *30 cents in quantities*, making the prices of the different editions as follows:

Tune edition, full red cloth, strongly sewed . . . . . 40 cts.
" " cloth back, red paper sides, with silk finish, paper and sewing as in full cloth books . . . . . 30 cts.
Hymn edition, full red cloth, strongly sewed . . . . . 20 cts.

Single sample copies of above sent for 25, 20 and 15 cents respectively. *Send for the wonderful array of testimonials.*

THE CENTURY CO., NEW YORK, N. Y.

Orders received by the Reformed Church Publication Board, 907 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

"THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST."
SAW MILLS, **ENGINES** THRESHERS, HORSE POWERS,
(For all sections and purposes.) Write for Free Pamphlet and Prices to The Aultman & Taylor Co., Mansfield, Ohio.

"THE BEST IS CHEAPEST."
ENGINES, Horse Powers **THRESHERS** SAW-MILLS, Clover Hullers
(Suited to all sections.) Write for FREE Illus. Pamphlet and Prices to The Aultman & Taylor Co., Mansfield, Ohio.

PREMIUM TRACTS.

No. 1.
REFORMED CHURCH IN UNITED STATES.

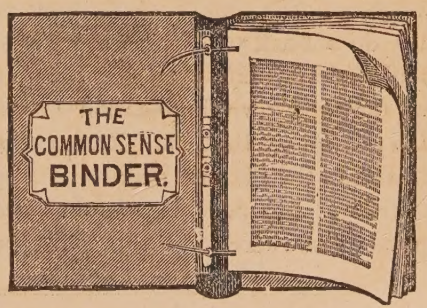
No. 2.
THE WORK OF MISSIONS IN REFORMED CHURCH OF UNITED STATES.

No. 1.—1,000 Copies, $6.00	No. 2.—1,000 Copies, $5.00
500 " 3.15	500 " 2.65
100 " .65	100 " .55

Every pastor and layman interested in the church and its work should have a supply of these excellent Tracts to hand around, that they may be read and have an opportunity of doing the good they are expected to do. Address,

REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD,
907 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

COMMON SENSE



BINDER.

A convenient and useful way of preserving Pamphlets, Papers, Magazines and Reviews.

Sizes—inches.		Price.	Sizes—inches.		Price.
5¼ x 8¼	at	.50	10½ x 13¼	at	$1.00
8¼ x 9¾	"	.60	11½ x 16½	"	1.35
8¼ x 11¾	"	.75	15 x 22	"	2.00
9½ x 12½	"	.90	and others.		

Sent on receipt of Price. Address,
REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD,
907 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

PLEASE NOTE.

If you see a book advertised, or who publishes it, send your order for it to

THE REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD,

907 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA,

and it will be filled promptly and at regular prices, or a reason given you why it cannot be supplied.

Please remember this, and also that what may be said of *one* book applies also to libraries of hundreds of volumes for Ministers, Laymen and Sunday-schools.

We give you fair prices, and when you do *not* give your order to us, *you do not gain anything pecuniarily, and keep us from making* the trade discount.

We do not ask you for your trade through selfishness, but because we are anxious that our people everywhere may see how easily they can help "build up" a more extensive business for their own Publication House.

Do not forget that the "REFORMED CHURCH PUBLICATION BOARD" is a creature of the Church, and in the plan we propose, you give your Church Institution patronage, *support* and profit; without any pecuniary outlay over and above what you would have to pay for the same goods elsewhere, and where the profits would not accrue to the Church.

GŒTHEAN HALL. FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE. DIAGNOTHIAN HALL.

Franklin and Marshall College,

LANCASTER, PENN'A.

THIS INSTITUTION was organized 28 years ago by the consolidation of two older Colleges. The College buildings are situated in the midst of a campus comprising 22 acres of ground, on an eminence in the western portion of Lancaster City. There are few Colleges anywhere that have so fine a location and such beautiful grounds. True to its idea, Franklin and Marshall College has not yielded to the temptation to popularize its course of study by lowering its standard or incorporating technical studies, which properly belong to institutions of a different kind. It has no optional courses of study, in which the learner is allowed to choose for himself what he shall pursue, nor provisional or mixed classes. Its course provides for the departments of Mathematics, Ancient Languages, Natural Sciences, English Literature, History and Archæology; the German Language and Literature, and Philosophy, embracing Mental and Moral Science and Æsthetics. THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH, located at Lancaster, is conducted under the supervision and direction of the three (English) Eastern Synods. The confessional standard of doctrine is the Heidelberg catechism. THE ACADEMY connected with Franklin and Marshall College is designed to furnish a thorough preparatory training to those who wish to enter College, and to provide a course of instruction specially adapted to those who wish to obtain a solid Academic education as a preparation for the active duties of life.

PROFESSORS AND INSTRUCTORS:

REV. THOMAS G. APPLE, D. D.,
President:
Mental and Moral Science, Church History and Exegesis.

REV. E. V. GERHART, D. D.,
Professor of Systematic and Practical Theology.

REV. FREDERICK A. GAST, D. D.,
Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Theology.

WILLIAM MARVEL NEVIN, LL. D.,
Alumni Professor of English Literature and Belles-Lettres.

REV. JOHN S. STAHR, Ph. D.,
Professor of Natural Science, Chemistry, and of the German Language.

REV. JOSEPH HENRY DUBBS, D. D.,
Audenried Professor of History and Archæology.

J. B. KIEFFER, A. M.,
Professor of Ancient Languages.

J. E. KERSHNER, A. M.,
Professor of Mathematics.

JOHN L. ATLEE, M. D., LL. D.,
Emeritus Professor of Anatomy and Physiology.

GEO. F. MULL, A. M.,
Rector of the Academy.

HENRY LEONARD, Janitor.

Boarding can be had for $2 to $4 per week. Club Boarding from $1.50 to $2 per week.

KRANICH & BACH

OUR FAMOUS

PIANOS

Grands, Baby Grands, Uprights and Square

ARE STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS.

We always have a magnificent assortment on hand and sell them at very reasonable prices **for either Cash or on Instalments.**

Give us a call before purchasing elsewhere, at our Warerooms,

908 ARCH STREET.

G. HERZBERG.

REFER TO

Rev. C. Z. WEISER, D.D., E. Greenville, Pa.; Rev. P. S. DAVIS, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. C. G. FISHER, Philadelphia, Pa.

EDWARD J. ZAHM,

MANUFACTURING JEWELER,

DEALER IN

Watches, Jewelry, Spectacles,

SILVER WARE, ROGERS' GROUPES,

Bronzes, Communion Ware, &c.

Orders by Mail promptly filled subject to exchange if not satisfactory, or goods shipped for selection. Information in regard to prices, etc., furnished on application.

Address,

EDWARD J. ZAHM,

LANCASTER, PA.

THE TROY MENEELY BELL FOUNDRY.

CLINTON H. MENEELY BELL CO.,

TROY, N. Y.

Manufacture a Superior Quality of BELLS.

OLDEST WORKMEN. GREATEST EXPERIENCE. LARGEST TRADE.

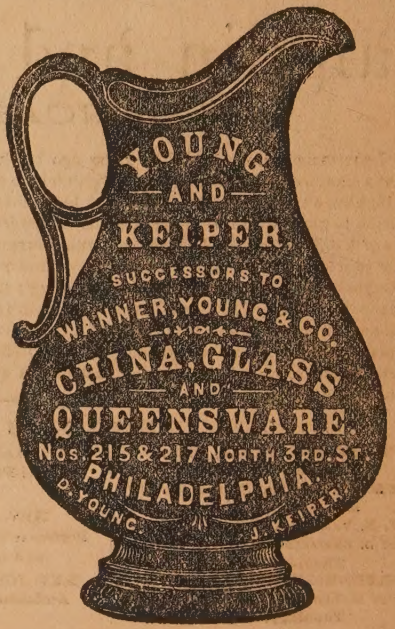
Special Attention given to CHURCH BELLS.

Illustrated Catalogue Mailed Free.

FRUIT JARS, JELLY CUPS, &c., &c.

GLASS AND QUEENSWARE,

By the Original Package a Specialty.



CHANDELIERS and LAMP GOODS

IN GREAT VARIETY.